



COMMENT OF THE DAY

Dulles's Speech

TO the many people in the Western world who generally view a forthcoming "policy speech" by Mr John Foster Dulles with apprehension—if not a little trepidation—the Secretary of State's survey on Monday night at Chicago must have come as a pleasant surprise. Missing were the usual grim threats of dire consequences to the Communists in Peking and Moscow; there were no bitter denunciations and the warnings to potential aggressors were phrased in quiet, reasonable terms. In fact it was about the most moderate speech we have heard from Mr Dulles since he became Republican adviser on Foreign Affairs to Mr Truman in 1950. The main point in his speech—that America would not resort to "war action" to recover the 13 Americans imprisoned by Communist China for alleged spying activities last week—is a rebuff to firebrands in the Republican Party like Senator Knowland who have advocated a naval blockade against the China coast. Such a course of action would have been foolish in the extreme. It would have sealed the fate of the prisoners and exacerbated an already tense situation. By choosing "peaceful means" to deal with this problem, America has not weakened her own case; in fact she will undoubtedly assure herself of greater world support for her demands.

ON the world situation Mr Dulles intimated that it now seemed unlikely there would be any direct attack on any country covered by Western security arrangements—a view which is common in the West today—and due largely to American warnings to potential aggressors in the past. The subversion danger still remains however and Mr Dulles sees the need for economic remedies to deal with this particular problem. Mr Dulles rephrased America's "retaliation" policy in terms which, while still unequivocal, were designed to remove fears of the world becoming engulfed in atomic war. Essentially the policy is the same as before but, as stated on Monday, it is now less open to misinterpretation.

FEW, however, will share his optimism that following Tito's successful break from the Moscow camp, other European satellites might be emboldened to demand a measure of independence. The Kremlin holds an iron grip on countries like Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Albania, Rumania and Poland. Their leaders, unlike Tito, have little character and were selected by Moscow originally not for their national popularity, or for their administrative abilities, but because they could be trusted to remain completely subservient to their Russian masters. If the redemption of any of the satellites is at all possible, it will only come as the result of a popular rising. It is doubtful whether there is any immediate prospect of this. Nevertheless Mr Dulles has done well with his speech. It will undoubtedly please Britain and America's other Western allies. It can even be regarded as a first step in America's new moderate diplomatic policy which emerged a few weeks ago when President Eisenhower accepted Mr Malenkov's challenge to keep "minor" incidents in perspective (the shooting down of an American reconnaissance plane off Japan, on that occasion), and not to allow them to be inflated into big issues to harm relations between the two countries.

EAST GERMAN THREAT TO THE WEST

If Adenauer Rearms, So Will We' Says Grotewohl
SATELLITES' WARNING AT MOSCOW SECURITY TALKS

Moscow, Nov. 30.
East German Premier Otto Grotewohl warned the European security conference today that East Germany would be compelled "to organise" its own national military forces if militarism was revived and a regular army created in Western Germany, it was learned.
Herr Grotewohl said: "If militarism is revived in Western Germany and a regular army created, the German Democratic Republic will be compelled to organise in response to that action its national military forces capable of defending the peaceful achievements of the working people of the German Democratic Republic."
Herr Grotewohl, quoted by a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman at a press conference, was addressing the security conference attended by Russia and seven East European states and observers from China.
The East German Premier said his country shared the view of the Soviet Union, Poland and Czechoslovakia that in case the Paris treaties rearming West Germany are ratified, the powers participating in the conference must undertake joint measures "to repulse any aggression and ensure peace in Europe."

Congressman Wants Trade Ban On China

Washington, Nov. 30.
Representative Thomas Dodd proposed today that the United States, in cooperation with other free nations, impose a trade embargo on Communist China in retaliation for the imprisonment of the 13 Americans alleged to be spying.
Mr Dodd is a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.
He made his proposal in a letter to President Eisenhower. He said that if the trade embargo failed to get the necessary results then the free world should set up a naval blockade of the China coast.—United Press.

RAIN AT BRISBANE But Not Enough!

Brisbane, Dec. 1.
England's slim chance of a draw in the First Test disappeared this morning when the courageous third wicket partnership by Edrich and May came to an end. The former was bowled by W. Johnston when trying a shot to the left side. He scored 88.
May was out lbw off Lindwall for 44 runs. Their partnership added 132 runs. England still needs 205 runs to avert an innings defeat.
Heavy rain interrupted play at 12.25 p.m. when Cowdrey and Bailey were batting, and the score then was 103 for four wickets.

PLAY RESUMES
Play was resumed after lunch and only 18 runs were added to the total. Another wicket fell when Cowdrey was bowled by Benaud for 10 runs.
Tyson then joined Bailey and, batting very steadily brought England's score to 207. Bailey was 23 not out, and Tyson, 12 not out.
Australia 1st Innings—601
England 1st Innings—100
England 2nd Innings—13
Hutton, lbw, b. Miller 9
Simpson, run out 9
Edrich, b. W. Johnston 88
May, lbw, b. Lindwall 44
Cowdrey, b. Benaud 10
Bailey, c. Langley b. Lindwall 23
Tyson, not out 12
Benaud, not out 13
Extras 10
Total: Total for six wickets 207.

French Constitutional Reforms Carried

Paris, Nov. 30.
The French National Assembly adopted the bill for constitutional reform by 412 votes to 141. It was officially announced tonight.
This vote is over the third majority required to avoid a national referendum. The bill now becomes law. One of the most important provisions of the project would be to enable the President to be elected by a simple majority instead of requiring as at present an absolute majority of 514 votes.—France-Press.

Western observers expect a draft mutual defence treaty to emerge from the conference as the Soviet bloc's answer to the rearmament of West Germany.
Herr Grotewohl told the 35 delegates that East Germany could not ignore the fact that ratification of the Paris agreement would mean "an army of 500,000 men would be created at the frontiers of the German Democratic Republic."
Such an army, equipped according to the last word in military technique, would serve the interests of West German and foreign clients who were "not making any secret of their aggressive plans against the German Democratic Republic," he said.

TO ENSURE ACCURACY

Details of today's four-hour session were given to correspondents by Mr Leonid Ilyichyev, Press Chief at the Soviet Foreign Ministry. The session of Herr Grotewohl's speech dealing with "not making any secret of their aggressive plans against the German Democratic Republic," he said.
The first speaker today was Mr Viliam Siroky, Prime Minister of Czechoslovakia, who endorsed Soviet warnings yesterday that the Eastern bloc "should work out joint measures designed to strengthen and consolidate their military forces and providing for a unified command."
Herr Grotewohl said that all efforts should be made to bring both parts of Germany closer together.
Reunification was firstly the task of the German people, but "without mutual confidence of the governments of the German Democratic Republic and the West German Federal Republic no unification is possible."

"The Government of the German Democratic Republic does not place any preliminary condition on negotiation with Western Germany," he said.
In the course of preparations for the creation of a united Germany, East Germany was prepared to take into account both the (pre-Hitler) Weimar Constitution as well as the positive political experience of the existing two governments in Germany.
Referring to elections, Herr Grotewohl declared: "If it was possible to reach agreement at the Geneva conference, establishing the elections in Vietnam, it is surely possible to reach agreement on elections in Germany."
The Czechoslovak Premier urged the Soviet Union and the East European Communist countries to take "joint measures directed towards the strengthening and co-ordinating of their military forces" to defend themselves against "the revival of German militarism."

REBIRTH OF WEHRMACHT

Mr Siroky said the implementation of the Paris agreements would mean the rebirth of the German Wehrmacht, which would bring "a menace to the frontiers of Czechoslovakia, Poland and the German Democratic Republic."
The Czechoslovak Government therefore believed that in case of the ratification of the Paris agreements the governments of these states especially "should take joint measures against this menace."
Mr Siroky added that ratification and implementation of the Paris agreements would mean the revival of the German policy "Drang Nach Osten" (drive towards the East).—Reuter.



"Shoot!" The camera, trained on the oncoming junk, whirled as filming of "the escape scene" started off Lamma Islands this morning.

Last Night At No. 10
THE CROWD ROARED 'WE WANT WINNIE!'
At The End Of A Perfect Day

London, Dec. 1.
The Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, last night made a surprise appearance on television as a climax to a day of brilliant pageantry—the celebrations of his 80th birthday coupled with the state opening of Parliament by the Queen.
An hour or before his television appearance the Prime Minister went to Buckingham Palace for his usual weekly audience with the Queen, and when he returned home he saw two boxes wrapped in brown paper.
They were the Queen's birthday gift to her First Minister—but what were in the boxes were kept secret.
Buckingham Palace and the Prime Minister's official residence in London merely said they were "personal gifts."
GAVE "V" SIGN
After appearing on television crowds before Sir Winston's residence called: "We want Winnie!" and he finally came to a first floor window where he waved and gave the "V" sign. Then he went indoors to have his birthday dinner with Lady Churchill and spend the rest of the evening quietly with her.
The television programme was a world-wide link up of birthday tributes from some of the world's leading statesmen who have worked with the Prime Minister through the first half of this century.
7,000 TELEGRAMS
Yesterday morning, when he woke up, the number of greetings telegrams, letters and messages from all over the world had reached 7,000. By every delivery they are still pouring in.
They came from the heads of the nations and from ordinary people who wished to pay tribute to Britain's war time leader.
Among the gifts Sir Winston Churchill received was a cheque for £250,000, subscribed by people all over the world.
CHARTWELL MUSEUM
At the Prime Minister's wish it will be used to start a charitable trust. Part of the money will go to endow his country home—Chartwell, in Kent, Southern England—as a museum containing relics of his life.
In the commemorative book signed by most members of the House of Commons, presented to him yesterday, twenty-six signatures were missing, though it had been hoped all 625 members of Parliament would sign.
An official statement issued last night by the organisers said those who did not sign are 21 Labour members, two Irish Nationalists, two Conservatives known to be abroad and one who is unable to sign.
HELICOPTER'S ORREETING
In a five-minute ceremony in the House of Lords last night Sir Winston Churchill was given a pair of 250-year-old silver jugs which once belonged to his ancestor, General Charles Churchill, brother of the first Duke of Marlborough.
They were the gift of Conservative peers and the Government Party's past and present representatives in the House of Commons.
Queen Elizabeth wished Sir Winston Churchill "many happy returns" which she received him last night at Buckingham Palace. It was the last official birthday engagement of the day.
A few seconds before his arrival a helicopter circled over the palace carrying an illuminated greeting in red: "Happy Birthday Sir Winston."—Reuter.



A cluster of what looks like fishing craft was the base of operations for the filming of the 'Pearl River' scene this morning.

MYSTERY LAUNCH OFF HONGKONG
But No Panic! It Was Only The Visiting Film Makers

By Tony Motta, China Mail Reporter
A heavily armed, ominous grey and black launch manned by a number of Chinese sailors dressed in alien-looking uniforms cruised around Lamma Islands this morning to the consternation of fishermen in the vicinity.
No, there was no need for the Marines' Inspector Merryweather had the situation well in hand.
The "Red" boat was churning about getting ready for the "chase scene" in the filming of "Soldier of Fortune."
RENNIE IN ACTION
The intrepid "Soldier" (Clark Gable) had not arrived, but Michael Rennie, respondent in a summer uniform of the Hong Kong Marine Police, went into action at the wave of a "yellow flag."
The flag, which fluttered in the hand of Assistant Director Hal Herman, was a signal for the "chase scene" to begin. Gable and Rennie, who had been conversing with the vessel's master, actor Frank Tang, this one scene, which was filmed by cameramen on board a barge, was shot three times.
Everybody connected with the filming was on board this barge, including the Press and Mr John Wallace, who, in the midst of what must be called organised chaos, recorded sounds and conversations for a broadcast over Radio Hongkong.
Signalling between the barge and the junk proved a little difficult. Hal Herman, who waved an assortment of coloured flags for action, "cut and so forth" was heard to bemoan the lack of "a dog for lunch."
As all the shouting was going on, Mr Al Hix, Press Agent for 20th Century, explained that the scene was the escape from Canton. The junk, with Clark Gable, Michael Rennie, and Frank Tang on board had rescued Gene Barry, free-lance photographer imprisoned in Canton, and had sailed along the Pearl River all night without being spotted. But as the fog lifted and the escapades were "breathing a sigh of relief" they sighted a Communist boat which caught up with them and opened fire.
The junk, a brand new 74-foot craft hired by the film people, was motorised and when it struck full sail, hit nine knots an hour. You could all but hear the sighs of envy from the fisher folk! This speed made manoeuvring of the barge awkward and it is small wonder that it took all morning to film one scene.
PUFFED A CIGAR
Mr Dmytryk, the Director, puffed on a cigar and remained comparatively calm throughout. Your Reporter greets that he will not be at the scene this afternoon when Mr Dmytryk will shoot "shoot" and with the rolling of the camera, the "Red" will open fire on a junk with machine gun and cannon!

Fellagha Leader To Lay Down Arms

Tunis, Nov. 30.
Lashar Chraïli, one of the leaders of the Tunisian Fellagha (armed marauder) movement has agreed to lay down arms, it was disclosed here tonight.
In a letter to Habib Chatty, the Tunisian government press chief, Chraïli said he approved of the Tunisian-France agreements on the Fellagha movement. He agreed to lay down his arms so that negotiations on Tunisia's future could be carried out.—France-Press.

Sabotage Attempt On Submarine



High Explosive Found In Engine At Sea

From Our Own Correspondent

London, Nov. 30.
A sabotage charge, made out of a handgrenade was found in one of the two main engines of the 1,120-ton R.N. submarine, Artemis when it was at sea in the Western approaches, it was revealed tonight.

The charge containing four ounces of high explosive was big enough to wreck the main diesel engines and kill or wound six men on duty at the time.
TURNED BACK
Artemis, with a full crew of 60, turned back immediately to her temporary base, the 10,000-ton submarine mother-ship, Montclare, anchored at Rothersey, in the Firth of Clyde.

An Admiralty official said tonight: "The engines have been tampered with and are being investigated but so far as the Admiralty is aware, no explosive has been found in this engine room."
REPORT CONFIRMED
But it was confirmed at Rothersey tonight that a grenade of the type used for signalling or as an initiation depth charge in anti-submarine exercises was found.
It was clearly designed to go off when the engine was running, and the saboteur who put it there had some technical knowledge of submarine diesel engines.
It is fairly easy for naval ratings to steal grenades from stores.
The charge might not have been big enough to blow the submarine's pressure hull open to the sea but it would have disabled and imperilled Artemis.
CREW QUESTIONED
Tonight, two Admiralty C.S.D. men, directed by Major H.F. Bodington, questioned the crew of the crew at Rothersey.
Artemis is the sister ship of Arcturion, which sailed to surface in the channel in 1951.

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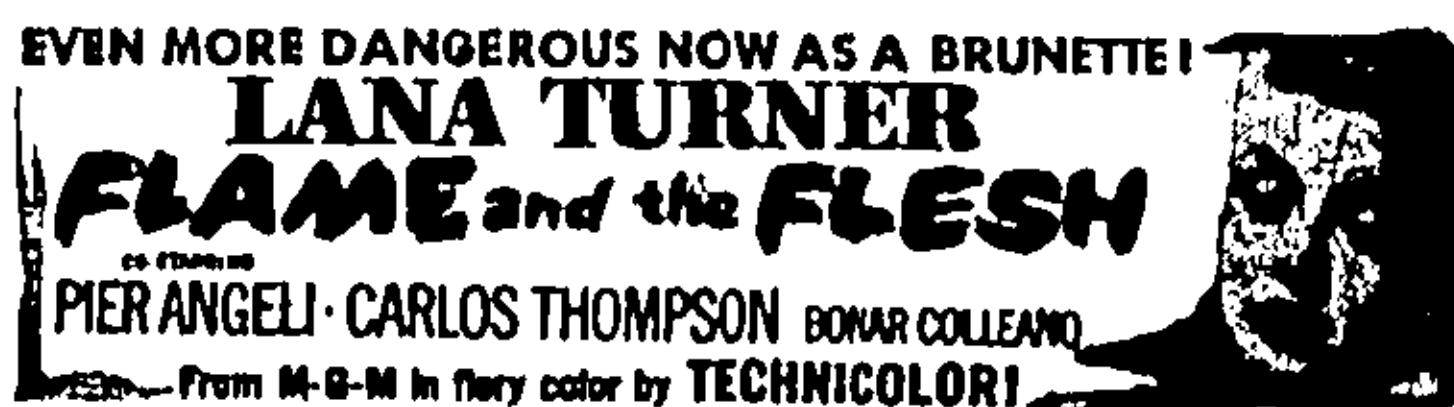
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USE OF ATOM BOMBS



Boko, the Nigerian baby who was separated from her Siamese twin sister in London last December, is seen pictured at her home in Kano sitting on her mother's knee. Boko will be two years old next July. Boko's mother gave birth to twins on Sunday, but they died.—Express Photo.

BatGalim Incident: Report Handed To U.N. Members

United Nations, Nov. 30.

The United Nations Secretary-General, Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, circulated to members today the November 25 report of the Palestine truce chief regarding the Egyptian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission's study of the Egyptian complaint against the vessel Bat Galim.

The report was signed by Maj-Gen. E. L. Burns, Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision organisation.

It reviewed the Egyptian complaint, charging that two fishermen drowned when the Israeli vessel fired on two Egyptian fishing boats. It summarised the U.N. observers' investigation and statements of witnesses and the Mixed Armistice Commission meetings on the subject.

It gave details of the opposing arguments before adoption of the Israeli resolution on November 19, which "finds the Egyptian complaint regarding the Bat Galim case to be unfounded and that no violation of the general armistice agreement has been violated by Israel."

It also reviewed the subsequent Egyptian appeal on November 20 and the decision taken on November 25 by the special committee—composed of the U.N. truce chief and one member each of the Egyptian and Israeli delegations—which eliminated the statement that the Egyptian complaint was "unfounded."

The Burns report said the decision to eliminate the "unfounded" charge was taken because "the M.A.C. should not adopt resolutions defining a complaint as unfounded as this may appear as restricting the right of either side to submit any complaint it may deem necessary."

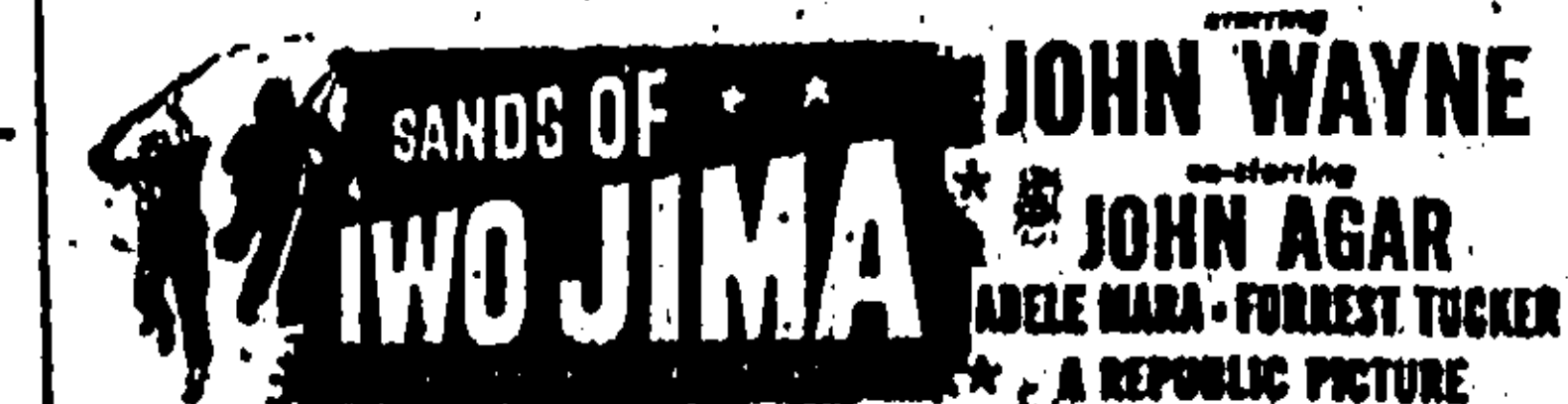
Furthermore, it is unnecessary to describe a complaint in such terms after the non-adoption of the complaining party's resolution. This decision is not intended as a judgment on the facts of this particular case, as to which the Special Committee has no competence, nor is it intended as a reversal of the M.A.C.'s findings in the resolutions as to the facts.

Egypt objected to the "unfounded" charge on the grounds that the M.A.C. did not hear the Egyptian point of view on the alleged killing of the two fishermen because Egypt had considered it not within the competence of the M.A.C. but as an internal Egyptian matter. —United Press.



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Aggressors Will Be Given The 'Works' SUPPORT FOR MONTY

Washington, Nov. 30.

The Secretary of Defence, Mr Charles E. Wilson said at a news conference today that he does not "enthusiast about World War III" and he hopes that Communism in Russia will gradually change to "the Free World type of thinking."

Mr Wilson said he agrees with a statement made last night in Los Angeles by Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery that if Russia started World War III it should be given "the works"—that is subjected to full atomic retaliation.

He added that if Russia or Red China started a "brush fire war" (aggression of limited geographic nature) he would want to examine the issues carefully before atomic retaliation against either of those countries.

Mr Wilson was drawn into a long discussion of what the United States should do if Communists start now aggression. He said that he doubts the wisdom of talking too much about how the United States would fight another world war. It makes Allies nervous, he said.

RATTLING A-BOMB

"I do not like to rattle the atomic bomb so much," Mr Wilson said. He said that, in his opinion, Russia's military potential and ability are overemphasised at present.

He thought that Russian scientific and productive capacity are fairly large, but he added:

"I believe that the present type of Communism in their government has the seeds of its own destruction or failure." He believes free men will always keep ahead of a totalitarian-controlled society.

"My hope is that given enough time their form of activity will gradually move over to the Free World type of thinking."

That would take a long time, however. Some trouble spots are hard to heal. "Wars do not solve problems; they create new ones. I remember two wars. I don't envisage over a third world war. I always want to remember that the purpose of our country is peace."

At one point in the discussion, Mr Wilson said that the situation in case of aggression by Communist China probably would be different from the situation the United States would face in case of Russian aggression. Russia would probably direct its attack against the United States and it would mean general war, he said.

CLEAR CASE

Furthermore, he said, Russia has had relations with the United States for a long time and, "if they broke these tenuous relations that would be a clear case." But in the case of the Peking regime, he said, "we often act as if there wasn't such a thing as Communist China."

Asked whether it is time to recognise Communist China, Mr Wilson said that was "a good question" but one which should be directed to the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles.—United Press.

TREE LOVERS CAMPAIGN

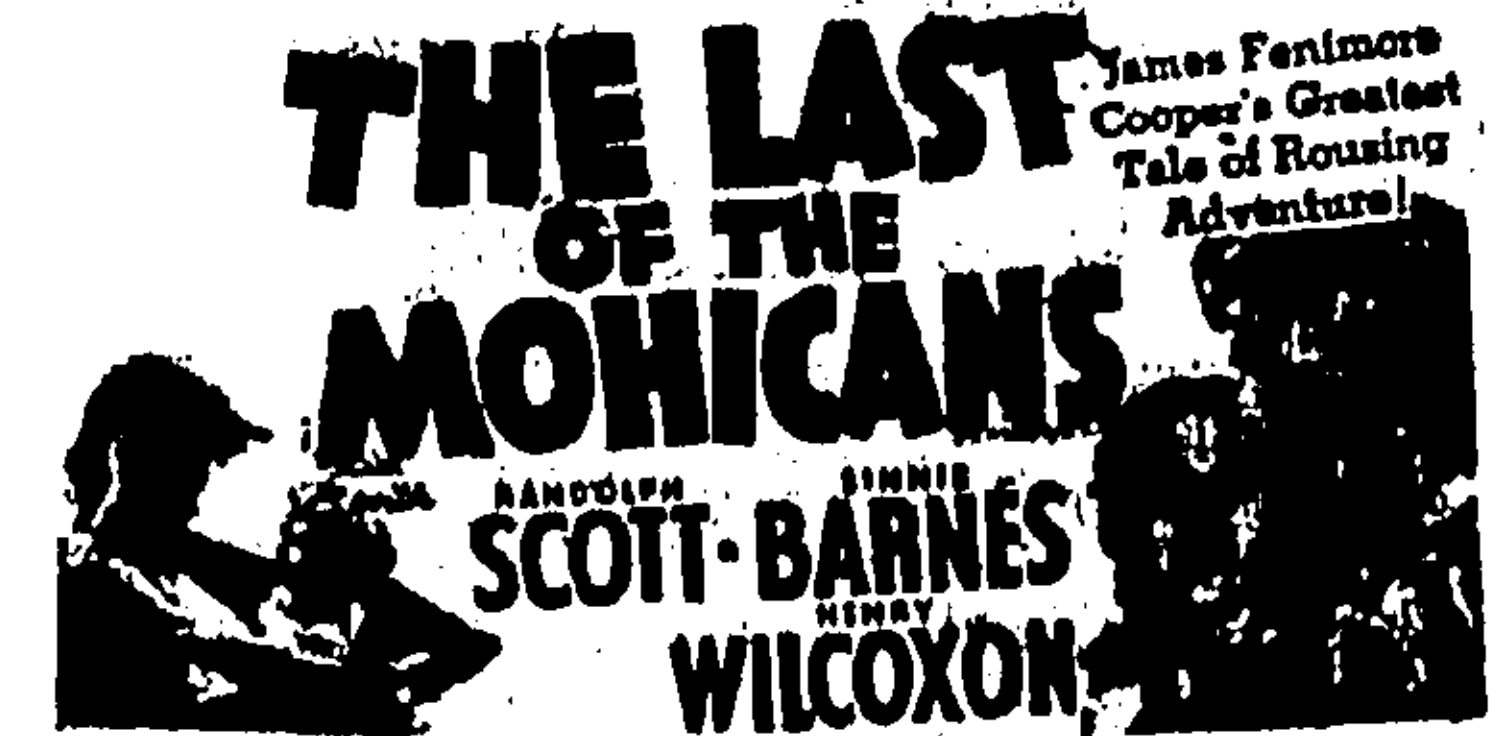
Tokyo, Nov. 30. Japanese tree lovers, banded together under the name "Tree Planting Promotion Commission," today announced that they would launch a "self-control" campaign tomorrow against using Christmas trees and traditional pine decorations for the New Year.

The commission, which is supported by prefectural governments, said it would "co-operate 100 per cent" with the Government's Forestry Board to prevent the usual destruction of trees which happens every Christmas in Japan, just like most other countries. —China Mail Special.

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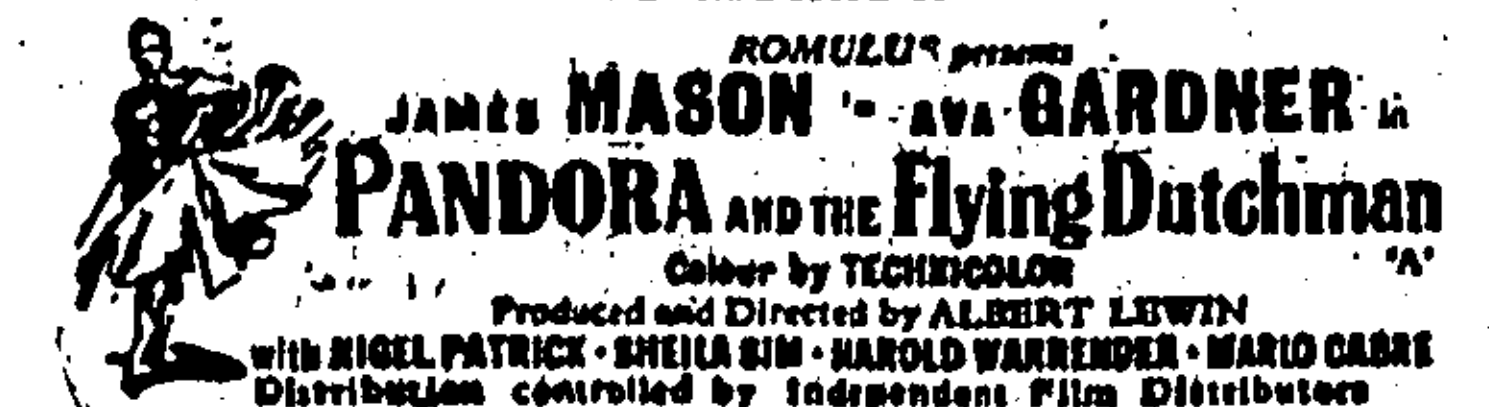
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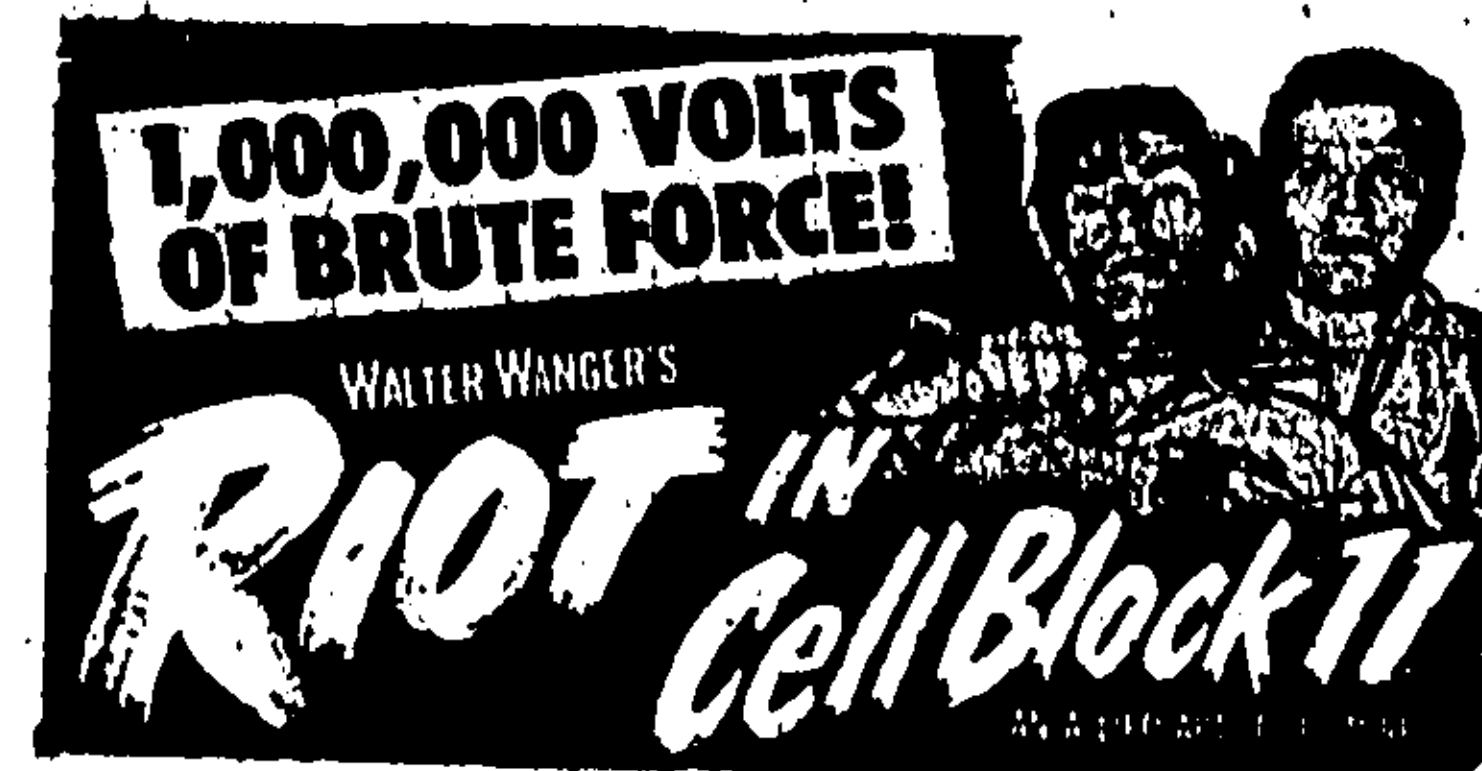
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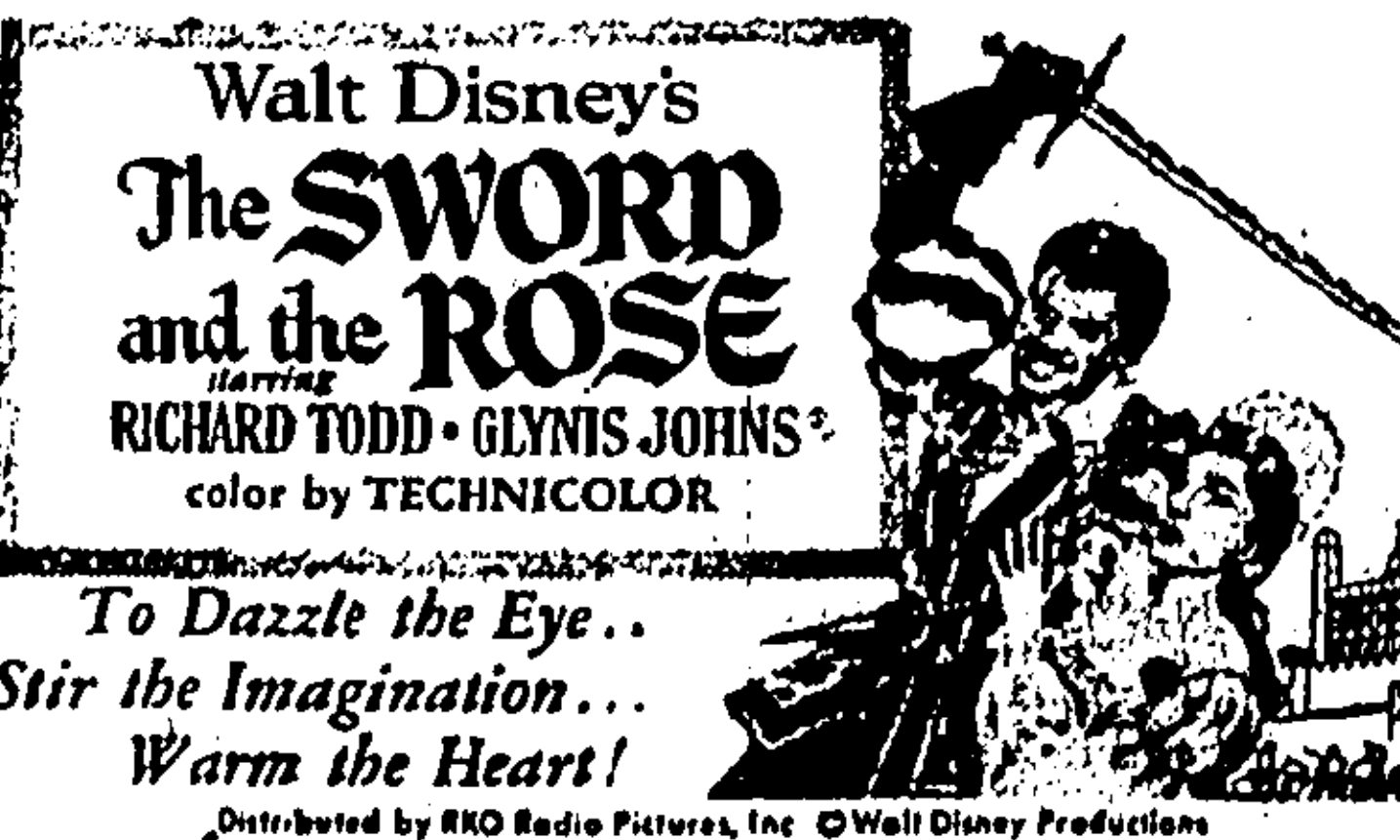


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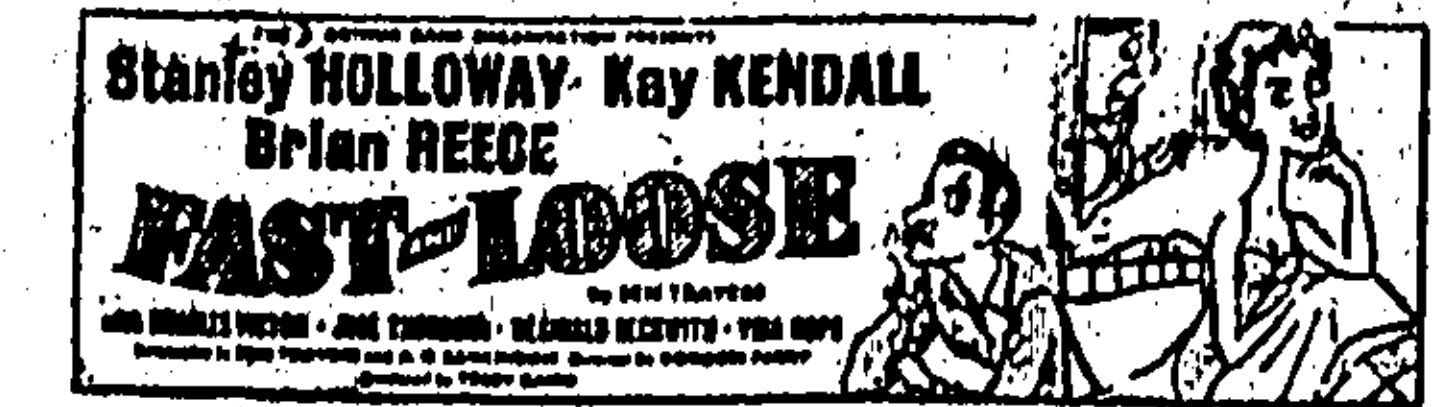
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Adoption By The United Nations Political Committee HOLLAND & INDONESIA ORDERED TO REPORT

United Nations, Nov. 30.

The General Assembly's Political and Security Committee expressed a hope today that Indonesia and the Netherlands would find a way to settle their bitter dispute over which of them owns West New Guinea.

It adopted an eight-power resolution embodying that hope and requesting the two countries to "report progress" to the 1955 General Assembly.

The vote was 34 to 14 with 10 nations abstaining. The size of the vote made the resolution certain of adoption at a later plenary session of the Assembly.

Dr. Trondenejo Sudjarwo, Indonesian permanent delegate, announced after that resolution had been adopted that his delegation would not press for a vote on its own proposal. The latter called for direct negotiations, supervised by the United Nations, between the Dutch and Indonesians on the island territory.

DIFFICULT

It had become apparent during the debate that Indonesia would find it difficult to get the two-thirds majority vote needed to get its proposal through the Assembly.

Dr. Sudjarwo told the Committee that his delegation was content to have its case stand in the record of the debate. The Indian delegate, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, took the lead this morning in framing a resolution that was considered to have a good chance of adoption by the necessary majority. Joining India as co-sponsors were Argentina, Costa Rica, Cuba,

Ecuador, El Salvador, Syria and Yugoslavia.

The main paragraphs of the eight-nation resolution state that the governments of Indonesia and the Netherlands will pursue their endeavours in respect of the dispute that now exists between them to find a solution in conformity with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

"2. Requests the parties to report progress to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly."

Colombia offered an amendment to the first main paragraph. It would have merely expressed the hope that a solution could be found to the West New Guinea problem "in conformity with the principles of the United Nations Charter and especially with the interests and rights of the inhabitants of West New Guinea."

One phrase of it was defeated by 11 votes to 30 and was withdrawn by Colombia. Four separate votes were taken on the eight-power resolution. The preamble was adopted 40 to 11 with seven abstentions. The first operative paragraph was adopted 35 to 18 with nine abstentions. The second operative paragraph was approved 34 to 15 with 18 abstentions.

The roll call vote on the resolution as a whole was as follows:

For (34)—Afghanistan, Argentina, Bolivia, Burma, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand, the Ukraine, Russia, Uruguay, Venezuela, the Yamen and Yugoslavia.

Against (14)—Australia, Belgium, Colombia, Denmark, France, Iceland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Turkey, South Africa and Britain.

ABSTENTIONS

Abstaining (10)—Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, the Dominican Republic, Indonesia, Israel, Nicaragua, the Philippines and the United States.

Absent (2)—Haiti and Panama.

Mr. Krishna Menon had announced to the Committee that the resolution's sponsors were requesting a priority for it in the voting. The Committee approved the priority request 37 to two with 18 abstentions.

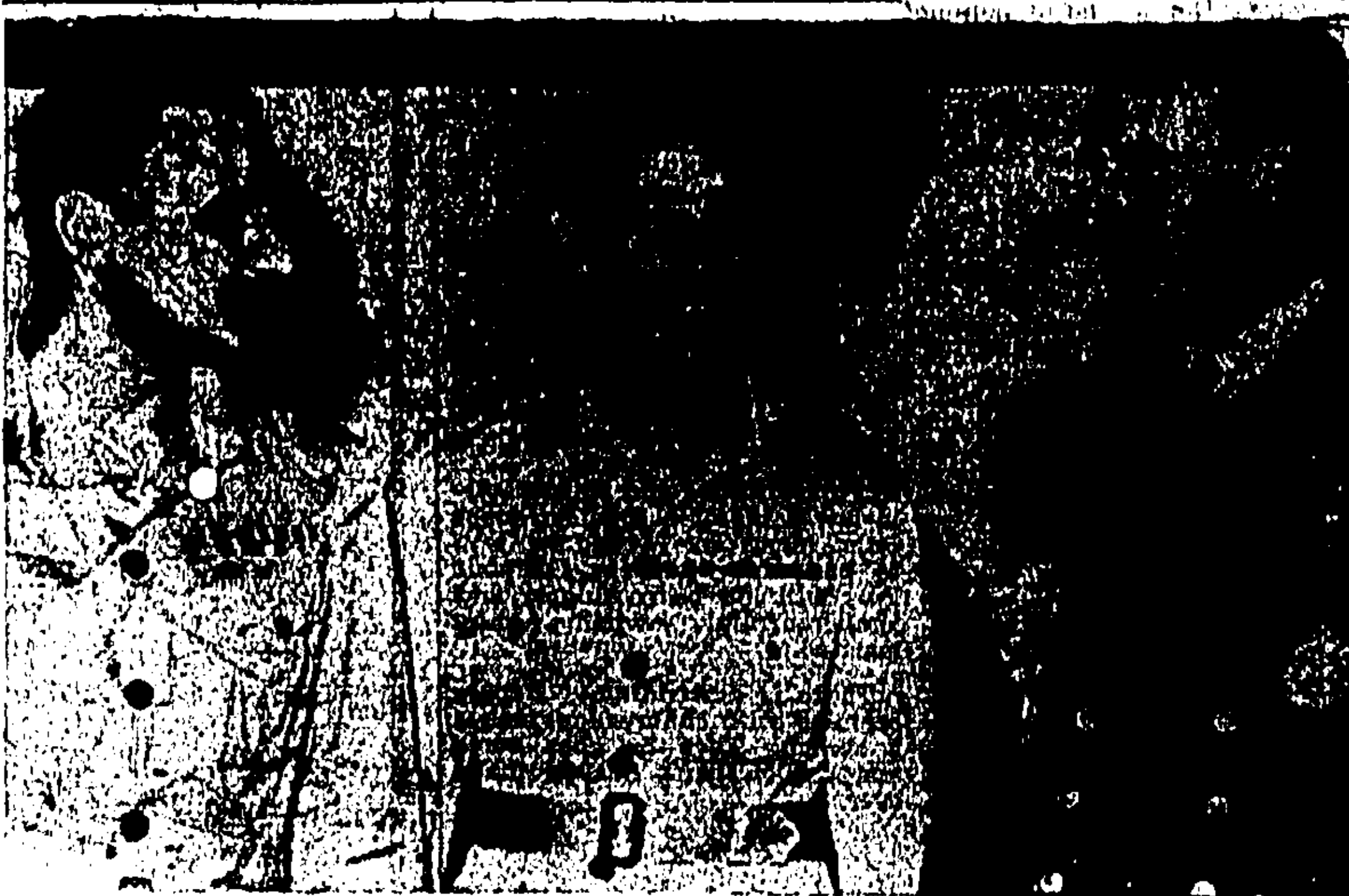
The crux of the West New Guinea dispute is Indonesia's claim that the island territory should have been handed over by the Dutch under the 1949 agreement that created Indonesia from the Netherlands East Indies.—United Press.

MAU MAU SWEEP

Nairobi, Nov. 30. Security forces detained more than 100 Africans in the parklands area of Nairobi in a sweep to discover the hideouts of Mau Mau leaders, a Government spokesman said today.

A homemade incendiary bomb containing ammunition in a bottle and placed inside a large tin of petrol and sealed with sealing wax was used early today in an arson attempt at the home of Nairobi Park Superintendent H.P. Green-Smith.

Mr. Green-Smith was awakened at 3.15 a.m. by a loud explosion, and went to investigate. He saw nothing and went back to bed. Later his houseboy found the tin and some ammunition on the floor. Green-Smith, police said, is recovering.



Admiral Earl Mountbatten (right) with Colonel Nasser, Egyptian Premier (left) and General Amer in Cairo. Lord Mountbatten is visiting Egypt during his farewell tour of the Mediterranean countries before giving up his post as Allied Commander NATO Forces Mediterranean to become British First Sea Lord.—Express Photo.

Percival Pleased Over P.O.W. Compensation

London, Nov. 30. Lieutenant-General A.E. Percival, President of the Far Eastern Prisoners of War Clubs and Associations of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, commenting today on the compensation agreement reached in Tokyo, said "We are naturally very pleased that it has come through."

"We have been very anxious to get the matter settled because it has been going on for years and years, and the people who will benefit are getting older all the time."

"The money is due under article 16 of the peace treaty, which was signed over three years ago, and there has been a great deal of pressing for payment."

"Last month, in an interview with Mr. Yoshida, the Japanese Prime Minister, who was visiting Britain, I promised him that we would find the money. The Foreign Office sent their representatives out last month, and I suppose this is the result of all that pressure."

General Percival said it was "impossible to say" how much each ex-prisoner would get. "It depends on what the other countries claim, and how the money is distributed. There are about 40,000 former prisoners in this country who would benefit," he said.—Reuter.

Communist Leader Leaves Assembly

Paris, Nov. 30. The French Communist Party announced today that August Lecœur, a disgraced Communist leader, had left the Communist parliamentary group in the National Assembly.

A communiqué published on Wednesday in the Communist organ L'Humanité said that Lecœur had announced his decision in a letter to the president of the Assembly. The French Communist Party will have to examine the resulting situation, the communiqué said. Lecœur was the party's organising secretary until last March when he was removed from this post and from the central committee.—France-Press.

Cupid On Strike —The Love-Lorn Leaving Capri

Capri, Nov. 30. Four hundred hearts in search of Cupid have been disappointed. Not one arrow has found its mark. A little downcast, but not all without hope, they began today to leave this little Neapolitan "Isle of Love" and return to their own countries.

Kotelawala Leaves For America

London, Nov. 30. Sir John Kotelawala, Prime Minister of Ceylon, left by plane for Washington tonight.

Before boarding the Trans-World Airlines plane, Sir John said he was "very glad to be in this country for the 80th birthday of its great leader."

"Again I want to wish him long life and continued success in his efforts to achieve world peace," he added.



SIR JOHN KOTELAWALA

in his efforts to achieve world peace," he added.

Sir John's departure was delayed four days because of a mild attack of food poisoning. "I think it was because of eating oysters," he said.

In Washington the Premier will be the guest of President Eisenhower.—United Press.

Drove Truck At Irishmen

Stafford, Nov. 30. A truck driver alleged to have driven a lorry at a group of Irishmen after an argument was today found not guilty of murdering one of them, but guilty of manslaughter.

The man, John McGowan Brown, was sentenced to three years in goal and was disqualified from holding a driving licence for 15 years. He had pleaded not guilty to the murder of Joseph Bannion.

The prosecution alleged that after a street dispute Brown drove into four Irishmen, crushing Bannion against a wall.

Giving evidence Brown said the men were "pretty drunk" and one of them tried to pull his passenger out of the cab.

He said he had no intention of harming them and did his best to get out of the way.—China Mail Special.

Socialist Proposal To Break European Cartels

Strasbourg, Nov. 30.

Socialist members of the European Coal and Steel Pool's Common Assembly proposed today that the Pool's High Authority should call in representatives of employers and workers to help break up cartels which are "growing like mushrooms."

Speaking for the Socialist group Mr. G. M. Nederhorst of Holland said the High Authority had failed to prevent "these private cartels whose restrictive practices are extremely harmful."

U.K. NEGOTIATIONS

He was speaking after Mr. Jean Monnet, retiring President of the High Authority, had declared the Authority hopes to take important decisions on the cartels before the Assembly reconvenes in February.

Mr. Monnet told the Assembly he hoped negotiations to associate Britain with the Community would be completed before the end of the year.

A draft treaty approved by the Assembly is now being considered by the British Government.

Mr. Monnet said he was relying only to achieve freedom of speech and action to carry on his fight for a United States of Europe.

The creation of such a federation was "not only the greatest hope but the urgent necessity of our time," he said.

Mr. Monnet said the common coal and steel market in Europe was functioning efficiently and that last year's recession was limited by allowing producers to find fresh markets.

"The volume of trade exchanges among the Community nations—France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, West Germany and Luxembourg—is now 75 per cent higher than it was in 1952," he added.—Reuter.



DR. SALAZAR

PORTUGAL PREPARED TO FIGHT

Premier's Warning

Lisbon, Nov. 30.

The Premier, Dr. Antonio de Oliveira Salazar, warned today that Portugal is prepared to fight, if necessary, to prevent India from capturing the Portuguese territory of Goa.

Dr. Salazar urged Mr. Nehru to renounce his campaign to "absorb" the enclave on the Indian coast.

Reporting to the Portuguese National Assembly, Dr. Salazar declared there was "no military solution" to the conflict over Goa.

He added that while Portugal did not want war with India, "every Portuguese is prepared to fight to the end" should India start war in a campaign to incorporate the Portuguese enclave.

The Goa dispute flared last August with abortive civilian marches of Indian groups against the Portuguese territory. It has been in a state of uneasy deadlock since.

Dr. Salazar charged that India had "committed aggression, abused its force and ignored the law" in the Goa campaign. He made it clear that negotiations could only follow a "change of attitude" by the New Delhi government.

NOT FREE

Dr. Salazar said it was true the people of Goa were free to declare in favour of union with India. "Citizenship cannot be a matter of choice. It is a natural duty which no one can discard at will by denying his country. Besides, Goa is bound by sentiment and patriotism to Portugal. The Goans have proved this, both inside and outside their territory, even in the Indian Union despite the pressure which has been put on them."

"The Indian Union cannot continue indefinitely to defy the conscience of the world. We have the right to send forces to the enclaves (Dadra and Nagar Avell now occupied by the Indians) to restore order and legitimate authority."

"We have a right to respect for Portuguese sovereignty and we have a right to peaceful co-existence. This cannot comprise solely India and China but also India and the Portuguese territories."

"If in spite of everything, the Indian Union were to make war on our little territory, what should the forces there, or which will go there, do? Fight, not within the limits of possibility, but beyond the impossible. We owe that to ourselves, to Goa, to Western civilisation, to the world."—United Press & France-Press.

Monty Calls For Global Defence

Los Angeles, Nov. 30. Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery called today for an adequately organised global defence against aggressive Communism.

"We still lack the global organisation, and we lack agreed political aim on a global basis which is sufficiently clear to guide military strategy," he said.

He repeated for the third time during his present visit to North America that "if attacked, we will defend ourselves with the full weight of our atomic and thermonuclear capability."

In an after lunch speech to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, Lord Montgomery, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, declared the Western world must develop an increasing ability to hit back.

The U.S. Defence Secretary, Mr. Charles E. Wilson, said that Britain's Field Marshal Montgomery was a "very brave man to come into another country and give advice."

Mr. Wilson said that neither he nor Admiral Arthur W. Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, would venture to do the same on the other side of the Atlantic.

He was commenting at a news conference on Lord Montgomery's speech in Los Angeles in which he indicated that no more aircraft carriers should be built and criticised the organisation of Allied Air Forces in Europe.

"It was not improper," Wilson said, "I have no personal feeling of criticism."

He added that Lord Montgomery was "within bounds if he wanted to do it."

Mr. Wilson said that aircraft carrier construction will not be stopped in the United States.—Reuter & United Press.

No Embracing In Public

Alor Star, Nov. 30. A Malay rice mill labourer and his wife were warned by a Magistrate today that they should not embrace in public.

Saad Bin Puteh and his wife, Pian, appeared before Magistrate Tuan Syed Hassan Jamalullail to answer a charge that they had "misbehaved in public."

The Court was told that Saad and Pian were arrested at 9.50 p.m. on November 21 by a constable who saw them kissing in the street.

The couple claimed that they had not misbehaved in public and said, "We have a home."

The Magistrate told the couple, "As Muslims you are forbidden to embrace in public."

He cautioned and released them. —United Press.

'AMERICA BEAT BRITAIN'

Hence The Occupation

Burtonwood, England, Dec. 1.

"America beat Britain in a war, and as a result the United States Air Force is now over here. I think it was the first battle they won. The Americans took England."

This is an excerpt from an essay written by Terry Corbell, one of ten eight-year-old children in the USAF base here who were asked to describe the reasons for their stay in Britain.

Other selections from the children's essays include: Leroy Verdell — "My mother did not want to come. My little sister did not want to come. I did not want to come, but we had to come. Now my father wants to go back."

Julia Williams — "My father is here to make money and to help the Air Force, too."

Other children gave such reasons as "Americans have been sent to help the English fight all the people who fight the English." "Americans are here because they have to go where they are told," and "We are here because of the Russians." —China Mail Special.

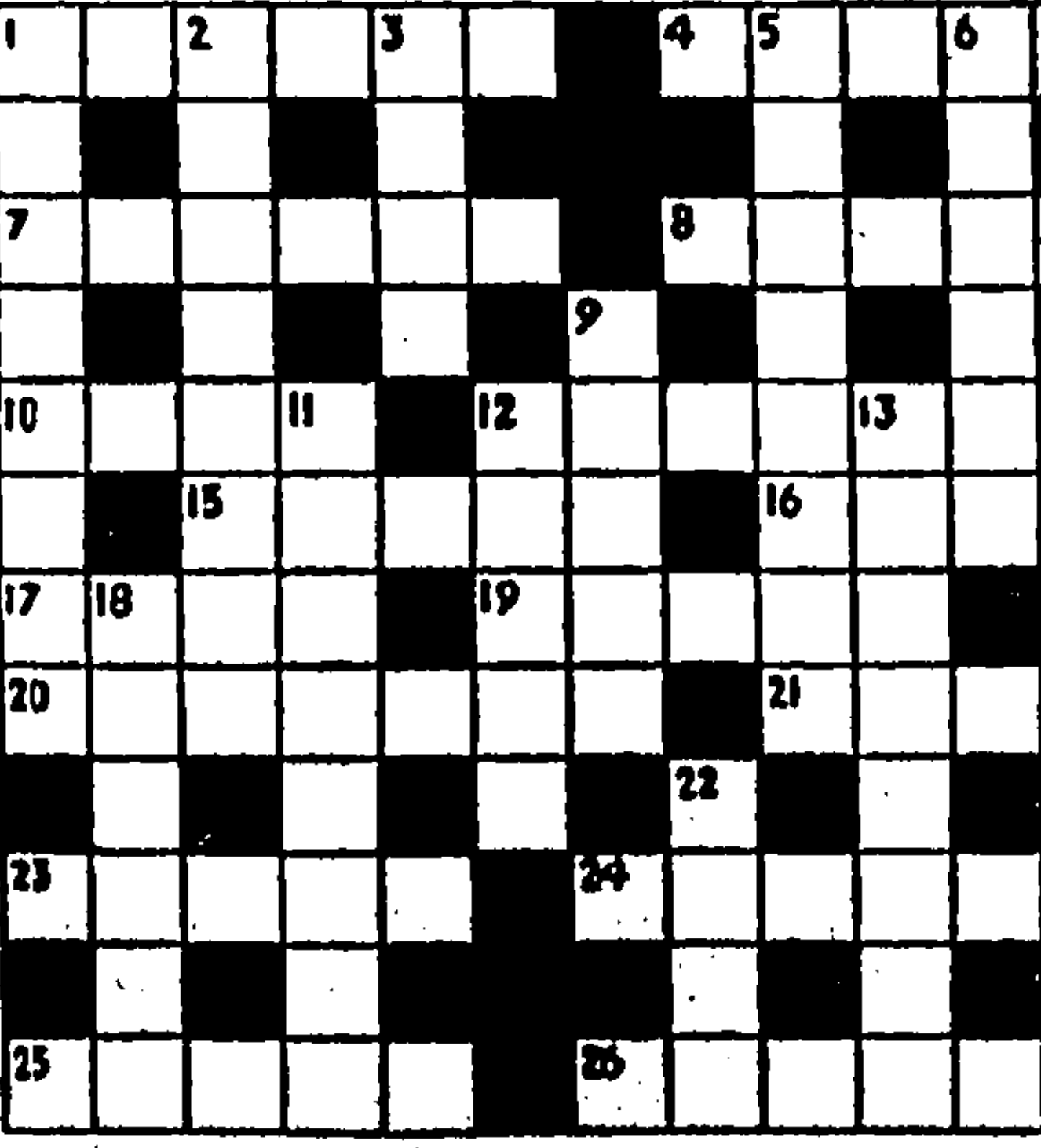
Manila, Nov. 30.

The following Police report is quoted in its entirety from the Manila Daily Mirror:

"I being Sunday Mrs. Julia Aguilera of 1912 Bilibid Viejo refused to sell rum to Mario Navarro."

"The damage to her showcase was 80 pesos."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Stick to (6).
 - 4 Nip (5).
 - 7 Floor covering (6).
 - 8 Mature (5).
 - 10 Agitate (4).
 - 12 Discounts (7).
 - 15 Make difficulties (5).
 - 16 Sharp (4).
 - 17 Precious stone (4).
 - 19 Compare (5).
 - 20 Mosque tower (7).
 - 21 Pass over lightly (4).
 - 23 Denude (5).
 - 24 Rough (5).
 - 25 Swift (5).
 - 26 Pure (5).
- DOWN
- 1 Habituate (5).
 - 2 Vixen (5).
 - 3 Regretted (4).
 - 5 Apes (5).
 - 6 Debt (5).
 - 9 Worth (5).
 - 11 Kinsman (5).
 - 12 Governor (5).
 - 13 Mags (5).
 - 14 Panic (5).
 - 18 Firearm (5).
 - 22 Lake (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Agitator, 8 Cinema, 9 Elements, 11 Lemonade, 12 Blue, 13 Perch, 16 Dates, 19 Roam, 22 Depleted, 24 Bracelet, 25 Shrive, 26 Entreaty. Down: 1 Scale, 2 Enemy, 3 Amended, 4 Gals, 5 Tonic, 6 Tangle, 7 Rusted, 10 Edict, 14 Rebel, 15 Healthy, 16 Trouble, 17 Savant, 20 Sides, 21 Adder, 23 Dene, 25 Post.

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer



By Robert L. May



NATHANIEL GUBBINS

ACCORDING to the papers the housewives of our country are being urged "to take their husbands round the Continent" by preparing a foreign dish for dinner every evening.

One night these fortunate chaps will be in Paris, the next night in Rome, the next in Madrid, and the next in Budapest.

If gastronomic travelling is so easy there seems no reason at all why they shouldn't go round the whole world in their little flat, producing not only foreign dishes but the atmosphere of foreign cafes and night clubs with song and dance.

Like this.

MONDAY: The fortunate chap arrives home to find himself in an Indian restaurant. He is not aware of this at first because the place looks much the same. But he is surprised to see his wife dressed in a sari wearing enormous earrings and paste diamonds stuck to her nostrils.

She bows low before him as she brings in the Madras curry. Thinking she has gone screwy he sits down without a word while his wife (who knows nothing about India) believes the right atmosphere will be created if she sings the Indian Love Lyrics.

She is just on the line "Less than the dust beneath thy feet" when he swallows a mouthful of curry, chokes, goes purple,

and runs howling from the room.

She doesn't know anything about curry either.

TUESDAY: The fortunate chap arrives home to find himself in an Italian cafe. His wife squeals matches of Italian opera as she serves spaghetti smothered in stale cheese and garlic. He takes one mouthful. As the fumes of garlic sweep through his nose and throat he staggers to an armchair wondering through his tears if he should ring a psychiatrist.

WEDNESDAY: The fortunate chap arrives home to find himself in a South American cafe. By now he is not surprised that his wife is dancing the rumba, swagging her body round the table. But he is surprised by the chillies on the Indian beans. With his mouth on fire he runs to the kitchen for water.

THURSDAY: This night the fortunate chap is in Budapest. As he opens the door his wife is in the middle of a wild rhapsody dance, using tablespoons as castanets. Convinced at last that she is raving mad, he thinks it safer to eat the goulash. But she has overdone the paprika and red pepper and he is soon prostrate on the settee yelling for a doctor.

FRIDAY: As he leaves the office the fortunate chap asks himself: "Where shall I find myself tonight? In Moscow with a crazy wife full of vodka offering me toasted meat on a bayonet? Or in Madrid with a crazy wife armed with a bull-fighter's sword forcing me to swallow a plateful of olive oil?"

Ten scared to go home, the fortunate chap goes to a City restaurant for a large helping of ye olde English boiled cod.

O.A.P. Watchers

WHO are the Oz Snoops of Britain? Or, to put it another way, who are the people who find out how much food old-age pensioners eat every week?

Figures supplied in Parliament by Dr Charles Hill gave all the details in oz, official word for ounces. These showed that in 1954 the lucky old folk were stuffing themselves with 3.9 oz of butter, 16.6 oz of sugar, 4.8 oz of milk, 3 oz of cheese, 31.4 oz of meat and bacon, 3.9 oz of eggs, and a whopping great lump of delicious margarine amounting to 4.8 oz.

At first one is inclined to think of the Oz Snoops as officious, tweedy women following old-age pensioners into food shops and listening to their orders or checking up the O.A.P.'s shopping bags as they totter to their humble homes, or even bursting into the humble homes with a thunderous "May I come in?" and weighing everything in the tiny larders with a pair of scales.

The truth is, of course, that the Oz Snoops are a corps of public-spirited men and women trained as bird watchers before they became old-age pensioner watchers.

Their methods are much the same. Just as bird watchers lie under cover noting every worm the mother bird brings back to the nest, so do the O.A.P. watchers sit in concealed observation posts with field glasses, telescopes, and official forms making notes of every oz of food brought home by the female O.A.P.

The work is hard and often dangerous, particularly when a couple of O.A.P.s under observation live in the top flat of a tenement building. Then the Oz Snoops have to borrow a fire escape ladder and sit on top of it all night in the freezing cold waiting for a curtain to be drawn so that details of a frugal supper may not be missed.

If you ask: "Why all night?" the answer is that O.A.P.s suffering from insomnia often get up in the middle of the night to make themselves a cup of cocoa. If the ounces of cocoa consumed were not reported to headquarters the total figures would be wrong and the patient work of years rendered useless.

Daylight snooping is easier except that the observer is more easily observed. It is then that powerful telescopes are used at long distances. Often daring commandos of the Oz Snoops will creep under a window with a periscope.

In extremely difficult cases listening posts equipped with sound amplifiers and tape recording machines have been found effective. Highly trained Oz Snoops can piece together snatches of recorded conversation such as "That's the last of the fish paste" and "I'm saving the butter for Sunday breakfast, dear" and produce a composite picture with workable statistics of a week's diet.

"Listening posts certainly sound a bit surprising," said a high-up of the Oz Snoops yesterday. "But one must get the facts."

Poppa's Revenge

THE news that Mr Alex Stewart, 80-year-old father of James Stewart, the film actor, is to marry a 75-year-old widow looks to me like the first shot in a war of revenge the

fathers of Hollywood film stars will wage one day.

They are the forgotten men. Normally you never hear about them until they die, when their news value as the parent of some glamour puss gets them a three-line obituary at the bottom of a column.

Let us examine the terrible life led by the father of a six-times-married glamour puss.

When Glamour Puss brings home the first bridegroom-to-be Poppa may like him or Poppa may not. Poppa cannot be expected to like everybody their daughters bring home. Even if Poppa thinks his future son-in-law a bit of a heel he keeps quiet about it. Maybe he isn't so bad and perhaps Glamour Puss will not be so fidgety and temperamental when she's married.

There is a wedding. Poppa, beaming with champagne, makes a speech. Then he goes home and thinks thank heaven that's over.

After the honeymoon Poppa is invited to the new home and begins to like the level. If he is a rich heel he might even grow fond of him. But just when he is about to touch the rich heel for a few dollars the newspapers are ablaze with the divorce of Glamour Puss, and Heel No. 2 appears.

Poppa doesn't like him much at first but says nothing. There is a second wedding. Poppa, beaming with champagne, makes another speech. Then he goes home and thinks thank heaven that's over.

After the second honeymoon Poppa is invited to the second new home and begins to like Heel No. 2. But just when he is about to touch him for a few dollars Glamour Puss is in the divorce courts again and Heel No. 3 appears.

Poppa is a bit cagey about Heel No. 3. He doesn't dislike him, but he's dumfied if he's going to put himself out to be pleasant to a third son-in-law, particularly as Heel No. 3 is an impoverished foreign count who tries to touch Poppa for a few dollars. But Poppa goes to the wedding. He drinks the champagne without beaming, makes his little speech, and goes home wondering when Heel No. 4 will turn up.

Heel No. 4 turns up almost at once, or so it seems to bewildered Poppa. He hasn't even read the news of his daughter's latest divorce because it's getting as dull as the weather reports. But he goes to the wedding and drinks quantities of champagne. In his cups he makes some distasteful remarks about marriage and film stars, leaving Glamour Puss in a fury.

Poppa is not invited to weddings Nos. 5 and 6. As he has given up reading anything about his daughter he doesn't even know the name of his latest son-in-law, or what he looks like. He has also forgotten what the first four looked like.

And as he gets older this gets on his mind. He stops strange men in the street asking them: "Are you a son-in-law of mine?" "Did you ever marry a girl named Glamour Puss?" But when they give him old-fashioned looks and say, "Take it easy, Pop," he knows that if he doesn't keep quiet somebody will get him certified.

So Poppa, nearly 90, makes his big decision. He marries a faded glamour puss himself. The headlines scream. He is news in his own right.

And his daughter, now old and hard up, reads about it and says: "So that old heel has gotten himself married just when I was going home to look after him in his last years and get a lot of useful publicity."

Poppa has had his revenge.

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WORLD'S STRANGEST STORIES, No. 16

THE RIDDLE OF THE Seven Hunters

By JOHN ROBBINS

POUNCE through the waters of the Outer Hebrides the 750-ton tender Pole Star made her monthly trip to relieve the keepers of lonely Flannan Lighthouse—a place of ancient legend—and a modern mystery.

As the ship butted the Atlantic swell there were many aboard whose thoughts went back to another occasion when the lighthouse was relieved in very different circumstances... an occasion that provided a riddle which has

puzzled the world ever since.

First let me tell something of this remote place where, the other night, Principal Keeper Walter Eidebriar and his assistant, Archibald Macdonald, began a two-month spell of duty.

The white tower of the Flannan Light stands 330 feet high on Eilean Mòr, last, one of seven grim, uninhabited pillars of black rock, known as the Seven Hunters, that rise steeply from the Atlantic some 18 miles northwest of the Hebridean island of Lewis.

Since 1899 it has flashed a friendly warning to the fishing skippers and steamer captains who sail the northern seas. Two brilliant, short flashes every 30 seconds—that is Flannan's message.

But it has not always been a ceaseless message.

Once, for 11 days, no light shone from the tower and the shadow of tragedy passed across Flannan.

It was during the night of December 15-16, 1900, that a look-out on the bridge of a passing tramp steamer, straining his eyes through sea-fog, noticed that all was dark.

On arrival at Oban, Argyllshire, the master reported to the Northern Lighthouse Board, but the tender Hesperus was already on a routine trip to relieve Flannan's three keepers.

The Hesperus battled her way through a gale so fierce that when she reached the islands on Boxing Day, 1900, it was impossible for a long boat to land.

They searched the islet's 40 acres but could find no trace of the missing men. Nor could anything be seen at the bottom of the black cliffs where the angry sea thrashed and foamed among the rocks.

In the lighthouse everything was in order; the lamp was primed and the machinery oiled. The last written entries in the log were for December 13, and for the forenoon of December 15 were on a slate for transference later to the log.

The only clue to the men's disappearance—if it had anything to do with it at all—was the fact that gear on a crane platform 60ft. above the landing stage had been washed away.

Various theories were put forward, but there were objections to most of them. A suggestion of foul play—that one of the keepers had gone mad, killing the two others and then leaping to death from the cliffs—was ruled out by the mainland police. It felt that there was evidence to support a view that all three had committed suicide.

There remained two other explanations. One said the men's disappearance must have been the result of some accident. The other said, by nature, a superstitious people, were inclined to believe the supernatural had taken a hand.

More clamoured on to Flannan's rocky landing stage and climbed the zig-zag path up the 200-foot cliff towards the low white building where the principal keeper, James Ducat, and his assistants, Thomas Marshall and Donald McArthur, ate and slept.

His calls mingled with the cries of gulls and petrels weaving overhead. But there was no reply from Flannan's keepers—for the three men had vanished.

The door of their quarters swung on its hinges. On the table lay a meal that had long since gone cold; the fire in a cooking range had burnt itself out—and there were signs of hurried departure.

Yet the keepers had no boat; unless they had been picked up by a passing ship (a possibility ruled out by the storm) they could not have left Eilean Mòr.

Moore went back to the Hesperus, reported to Captain Harvey and returned to the islet with Mr Macdonald (buoy-master) and Seamen Lamont and Campbell. All three volunteered to stay with Moore to keep the light in operation.

All in Order

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Weird Legends

That is in fact, how the mystery is written off in the official records in Edinburgh. "It was concluded that the men must have left the lighthouse for some purpose or other, probably to secure some gear... and were caught by an unexpectedly large roller."

But the Hebrideans, who tell many weird legends, are not altogether convinced. Their explanations for the Mystery of the Seven Hunters are not easily won.

For centuries they have regarded the islands with awe and as a place of sanctity—not even to be called by name but to be spoken of as "the country."

At one time they would only visit the islands when the wind was easterly; if the wind shifted they would immediately sail home. Before killing wild sheep and fowl they would pray at the ruins of a temple believed to have been built by St. Flannan, an Irish saint who lived in the seventh century.

Their contention that the three keepers were whaled from their rocky post by giant sea birds inspired a poem of the supernatural by Wilfred Gibson.

Sinister

Flannan retained a sinister reputation. Some time after the three men disappeared another keeper toppled to his death from the lamp balcony, and others were drowned as they tried to sleep ashore.

Today Flannan is not so isolated from the world as it was in 1900; daily contact is kept by radio-telephone with a mainland station at Callanish.

The keepers of 1954 often ponder on the fate of their predecessors. Before Principal Keeper Eidebriar sailed the other day for Flannan I asked him for his theory.

"During the storms of last winter I saw waves 80ft. high sweep across the crane platform above the landing stage," he said. "I think a wave like that must have washed the keepers into the sea."

But whatever it was that called Ducat, Marshall and McArthur, so hurriedly from their meal, will forever remain a secret. If Flannan's towering cliffs and the waters that wash around them.

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THE POOR OLD ENGLISH LANGUAGE FACES SOME SEVERE TRIALS

By LES ARMOUR

BRITAIN'S Ministry of Education has a bad case of the jitters. The Whitehall wizards are afraid that Englishmen are forgetting how to use their language. And they blame it on the schools.

English literature, they say, should have "the central place" on the school curriculum. Instead it seems to be shoved away as something not quite so important as arithmetic or significant as memorising the rivers of the world.

That the bureaucrats should have come over the way other people better the language may seem a little odd. But

there is no doubt that they have a point.

They remember what teachers seem to forget—that communication is everybody's biggest problem. Whatever you do for a living you have to be able to talk to somebody and to understand somebody.

They also remember something far more vital—that learning the language has far less to do with memorising the rules of formal grammar than in mastering the ways in which people have been able to put ideas across.

Literature teaches the student that there are times when

grammar books ought to be heaved into the waste basket, and that all the "rules" are only rough guides to avoid muddled thinking and muddled talking.

Teachers, too, often find it easier to lapse into pedantry, which achieves nothing except the sometimes desirable effect of putting the kiddies to sleep.

The Ministry's new book—unappetisingly entitled, "Language: Some Suggestions for Teachers of English and Others"—may not be a big success with a lot of teachers who figure that what was good enough for grandpa is good enough for grandchild. The trouble of trying something new

But it may drive home the fact that the poor old English language is facing some severe trials these days. The upsurge of officialdom, the growing rage for comics which rely on explosives instead of words, the ascendancy of television and the queer jargon of science, are all having their effects.

They can only be counteracted by a good stiff dose of the masters, from Shakespeare to Eliot. But somebody will have to find a way to make the medicine appealing.

And if the Ministry's advice is taken to mean that the kiddies ought to have a double dose of memorising the notes at the back of the expurgated editions of Shakespeare, we'll all be right back where we started.

COMBINED CHINESE 4, SINGAPORE 3

A DRAB AND LUSTRELESS GAME WHICH SINGAPORE DESERVINGLY LOST

By I.M. MacTAVISH

Tuesday, November 30, will certainly not be remembered on account of this game. It was a drab, lustreless encounter almost completely lacking in constructive play, and in many ways Mr Hancock's final whistle brought welcome relief.

Truth to tell it was a game that raised more yawns than yells and thinking back over the entire 80 minutes of play I cannot recall a single full-throated cheer from a crowd that was unusually small for such an occasion.

Once again the Chinese fans showed their traditional acumen and the wide open spaces in the stands were testimony to this and a clear indication of what they had decided about the match.

There is surely little doubt that part of the responsibility for the poor attendance must be laid at the door of the committee members who selected the side. The forward line looked if anything even worse in action than it did on paper.

The referee, presented the selection they kept their dollars in their pockets and those who attended and were not entertained will hardly blame them.

Both sides made changes in their line-ups. For Hongkong Jimmy Chang and Lee Pak replaced the injured Wan Fat-kun and Lee Yee while the visitors brought in Cheung Joon and Boon Kwok-ho.

Boon Kwok-ho, who made several positional changes in strict contrast to the previous games, the one was played in a 4-2-2 formation and the other a 4-2-2-1.

In the first half, Lee Pak, who was in the Singapore line-up, dropped out.

THE BETTER SIDE

Such moves took most of the value out of the result but there is no doubt that Hongkong was even with glaring weaknesses - was the better side.

Singapore had a fleeting moment of superiority but there was an utter lack of purpose about many of their moves. It seemed as though their best bet was to make maximum use of Omar Awang and Rahim Omar on the wings as both players appeared to be in good form.

But time and time again the ball was banged down the middle where Farrell, Boon Kwok-ho and Goh Boon-koh were bunched together.

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Perez May Not Give Shirai Return Fight

New York, Nov. 30.

Prasuna Perez of Argentina, the new World Flyweight Champion, said today that he has had a \$15,000 offer to defend his title at Manila, an offer from Jack Solomons of London, but that all offers have been referred to promoter Ismael Pace of Buenos Aires, who handles all Perez's business.

Presumably, the Manila fight would be against Leo Espinosa and the London bout would be with either Dai Dower of Wales or Eric Marsden of England.

"Actually, I didn't pay much attention to the offers," said Perez. "Pace will handle everything and it all was referred to him."

Perez arrived by plane early today from San Francisco and visited the United Press office.

"I was treated wonderfully in Japan," he said. "It was as though I never had left my own country. I appreciate the fine treatment I had from the Japanese."

Play deteriorated badly after this and some of the efforts were not worthy of such an occasion. Sir Tak, eleven-year-old, Lo Kwok-tai, replaced the monkey when, with 10 minutes to go, he raced half the length of the field and outwitted four defenders to score a goal.

HOPES REVIVED
Trading by two goals, Singapore almost faded out of the game only to have their hopes unexpectedly revived by a series of Hongkong defensive errors which led to a penalty kick being awarded against Cheung Koon-hing for impeding Boon Kwok-ho. Vass, the visitors' captain, came up and put the ball accurately into the net.

This gave an added spice to the dying minutes of the match. Spectators on their way to the exits hovered a little longer, wondering if after all the Singapore boys were going to get a share of the spoils.

They didn't and the game finished with the score fairly representing the run of play. Not that Hongkong was the better of the two teams but rather that Singapore was the poorer.

In the home side only Sze To Yiu, Ko Po-keung and Tse Kung-ho did anything to improve their reputations and with his display in this game Jimmy Chang has just about written his farewell to representative football.

Lo Fook-teng, Vass, Lee Kok-seng and Rahim Omar were the best men on the Singapore side although Omar Awang might have won the game if the ball had been played to him clear of Sze To Yiu.

VERDICT: When one thinks of some of the brilliant Combined Chinese sides we have seen in action this one was a mere mockery. The defence was suspect in goal and at right back and the forward line was just suspect.

Singapore was a surprisingly inept team, more hopeful than accomplished, and even against a poor Hongkong side home wasn't quite enough. The game was competently handled by Referee Hancock.

THE TEAMS
Combined Chinese: Jimmy Chang (Cheung Koon-hing); Lo Pak, Sze To Yiu; Chan Fai-hung, Ko Po-keung, Tong Sheung; Tse Kung-ho, Lee Yui-tak, Kwok Ying-lok, Lo Kwok-tai, Tam Yung-kan (Lee Tai fai).

Singapore: Lo Fook-teng (Sok Seow-chen); Vass (Hassan); Soo Toew-keung; Ho Hing-weng (Vass), Lee Kok-seng, Osman John; Omar Awang, Farrell, Boon Kwok-ho; Goh Boon-koh (Ho Hing-weng), Rahim Omar.

Mr Donald Campbell has received from the makers here the world's first all-metal jet hydroplane with which he hopes to recapture the water speed record from the United States.

The plane-named Bluebird after its famous predecessors driven by his father, Sir Malcolm Campbell, looks exactly like an aeroplane without wings and is an entirely new conception in shape and construction.

About 20 feet long and with a beam of ten feet it weighs two and a half tons and is powered by a Vickers Beryl turbo-jet engine with a thrust of 4,000 lbs.

This can make 8,000 revolutions a minute and consume 600 gallons of kerosene an hour.

COBT £25,000
Mr Campbell said the boat, which has cost him £25,000, steering has been built to withstand stresses more than twice those of a super-jet fighter plane and should reach a speed of something like 200 miles an hour.

The machine is one of the strongest and most rigid structures ever built, he claims. Given reasonable weather the Bluebird will start her preliminary trials shortly, but they will be "prolonged and scientific" and may take months to complete, Mr Campbell said.

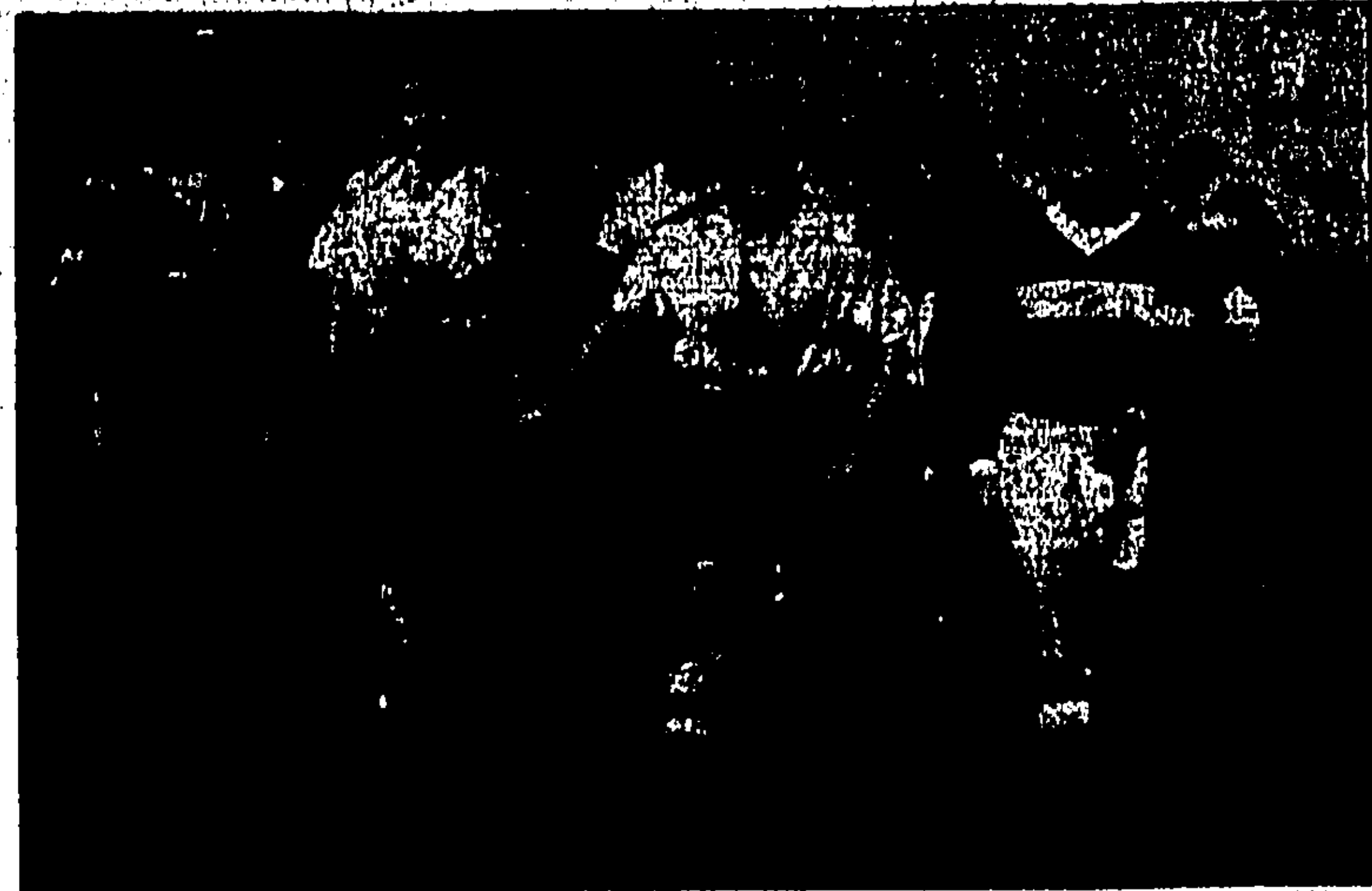
He could not forecast when he would make his world record attempt.

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THE BROAD GRIN OF TRIUMPH



The English First Division Champions, Wolverhampton Wanderers, were leading the Russian team, Spartak, 1-0, but in the final five minutes a three-goal avalanche for Wolves brought the score to 4-0.

The broad grin of triumph contrasts with the rueful smile of defeat as Wolves' skipper, Billy Wright, and Spartak captain Nikita Simonin lead the way off the field after the match.—Express Photo.

England Versus Germany Today Could Be The Match Of The Century

Says ERIC NICHOLLS

The eyes of Germany, England and, indeed, the whole soccer world will be on London's Wembley Stadium today where the current World Soccer Champions, Germany, do battle with England, the former "Masters."

The Champions are in for a tough time. For England are on the road back. The side which recently defeated Wales 3-2 was a far different England than the much criticised, much hammered England of recent years.

Piruz Faces Two-Year Suspension

Kuala Lumpur, Nov. 30.

A Malaya Thomas Cup badminton player, Abdulrahman Piruz, faces a two-year suspension today after the tournament sub-committee of the Selangor Badminton Association decided last night he had "let the State down."

The Sub-Committee met last night to consider events leading to Piruz's absence on the second day of the match between Selangor and Singapore three weeks ago in which Singapore won by the close margin of five matches to four.

Piruz subsequently claimed that he was sick but played on the opening day of the match to please the Chairman of the Tournament Committee. He claimed he became so sick after the match that he had to lay off the second day.

He claimed that he had a hospital certificate to prove that he was medically unfit but the Tournament Committee ruled that he should have produced the certificate either to the captain of the team or the Chairman of the Tournament Committee.

The findings and recommendation of the Tournament Sub-Committee are subject to confirmation by the General Council of the Association which meets on December 6.

Piruz was one of the four players, including Wong Peng-son, who took part in a tour of Formosa, Hongkong and Bangkok which the Badminton Association of Malaya later described as "unauthorised."

All the four players were thereafter banned from participation in official tournaments in Malaya but the ban was subsequently lifted on the intervention of the British Commissioner-General, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, and other leading badminton officials in the country.—United Press.

Army Sides To Play Macao In Annual Classic

The following players are selected to represent the Army A & B teams in the annual fixture against Clube do Macao at Macao on Sunday, December 5:

Army 'A'
Lt Boxall (173 Loc Bty RA), WO1 Taylor (HQ LF—CRIME), Sgt Peabody (32 Med Regt RA), WO1 Bowell (32 Med Regt RA), WO1 Patters (HQ RASC (Captain)), S/Sgt Forde (HQ LF—CRIME), CQMS Homer (1 Kings), Sgt Smith (14 Fd Regt RA), SOWS Allison (7 H.A. Coy (Diet) Wksp REME), and 2/Lt Scoresby (72 LAA Regt RA).

Army 'B'
Sgt Tribe (14 Fd Regt RA), 2/Lt Barclay (27 Lt Bty RA), Sgt Crossley (20 Fd Regt RA), Cpl Beath (1 Kings), Lt Rooy (23 HAA Bty RA), RSM Cople (72 LAA Regt RA) (Captain), Cpl Hall (HQ RE), BSM Wood (20 Fd Regt RA), Lt Lacey (170 Lt Bty RA), Sgt Field (1 Fd Regt RA), and Cpl Tuck (11 Inf Wksp REME).

Reserves: 2/Lt Lindsay (72 LAA Regt RA); WO1 Richardson (23 HAA Bty RA).

Umpires: Major Walker, SOPT: Lt Herberts, HK Sig Regt.

Recent happenings both on the field and in the German camp have certainly given England additional confidence. And whatever the present problems of the English selectors, they are fewer in number and of less gravity than those of their German counterparts.

But I am not bubbling over with confidence on England's chances. I refuse to count my chickens before they are hatched. For I still have the vivid memory of unshared Germany coming right up from behind to win the most coveted of all Championships on that rainy day in Bern last July.

With both countries struggling to regain lost prestige, it could be the game of the century. It should certainly be a battle royal.

Four weeks ago I wouldn't have given much for England's chances. But after the wallowing of Wales, I think they can do it. But it's going to be oh, so very close!

(—London Express Service)

IOC PRESIDENT ON

CODDLED YOUTHS HUDDLED OVER TELEVISION SETS

Chicago, Nov. 30.

Mr Avery Brundage, President of the International Olympic Committee, said today that if the United States lost out in the cold war with Communism it would be due to "weakness from within."

Speaking before a luncheon club on his three-week tour of Soviet Russia, he said the United States was committing "national suicide by gradual abandonment of our fundamental policies."

Mr Brundage described the "sports parade" of 34,000 youths which he witnessed in Russia and said it was an "amazing display with a 'semi-political theme'."

"This propaganda is tremendously effective," he said. "The youth have stolen the ball from us. Three-quarters of the people in the world think the United States, despite our altruism, is an aggressive nation."

Mr Brundage said that for years the value of sports in making better citizens and athletes of the youth had been preached in the United States.

"Ironically," he added, "it is the Soviet Union that has adopted such a programme on a national scale."

Mr Brundage said: "We think we are the greatest sports nation in the world." But he listed Olympic results and athletes' records of the past few years to prove that American athletes had fallen behind in world competition.

"As I watched the Russians," he said, "I thought of the Army rejection of 47 per cent for the United States. Behind the Iron Curtain life is grim, and sports fills a vacuum."

"No country is stronger than its people, and in the United States we have coddled youths huddled over TV sets. Juvenile delinquency has reached an appalling level. Our youth has it too soft and too easy. We amuse ourselves, but now youth has to be entertained."

"In the push button world we are approaching, we need the discipline of active sports competition more than ever."

United Press.

WEEK-END HOCKEY

The return from Defence Force camp duties sees Revere's two teams back on the field of play in the First Division Hockey League this week-end.

Revere A will clash against the Dutch on the Pool Ground at King's Park on Sunday, whilst across the road at Revere B, the team enters New Bharat A in what will be the feature match of the day.

Army's teams will be over in Macao trying to make it three in a row.

A full programme of ladies' matches is scheduled for Saturday, and the defeat of the champion KGV 'A' at the hands of Revere A ladies last week-end finds the race for the League title thrown wide open.

On Saturday, at King's Park Pool ground, Revere A will be engaged in another crucial match, and this time against a fast improving Dorians A side.

Prior to this match, on the same ground, the next best of the day's matches will be witnessed when KGV 'A' meet Gremlins.

The following are the fixtures for all divisions for the week-end:

SATURDAY
Ladies' Division
Revere A v Dutch H.C. on King's Park at 3.45 p.m. (Umpire: WO1 Richardson, Sgt. Moore).

Dorians A v Revere B on Boundary St. at 2.30 p.m. (Umpire: Sgt. English, WO1 Dorian).

Gremlins K.G.V. 'A' on King's Park at 2.30 p.m. (Umpire: J. B. Gosses, Yaqub Khan).

K.G.V. 'B' v Revere B on Boundary St. at 1.15 p.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. Gardner, Sgt. Allen).

Bye—Victorians.

SUNDAY
Men's First Division
Revere A v Dutch H.C. on King's Park at 4 p.m. (Umpire: G. T. Palmer, Tara Singh).

Dorians A v Revere B on Boundary St. at 3.30 p.m. (Umpire: Z. A. Abbas, J. S. Grewal).

Revere A v K.G.V. 'A' on King's Park at 3.30 p.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. B. Gosses, Yaqub Khan).

K.G.V. 'B' v Revere B on Boundary St. at 1.15 p.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. Gardner, Sgt. Allen).

Bye—Victorians.

Men's Second Division
H.K.H.C. v Knights on Happy Valley at 11 a.m. (Umpire: G. T. Palmer, Tara Singh).

Dorians B v Revere C on Boundary St. at 11 a.m. (Umpire: Z. A. Abbas, J. S. Grewal).

Revere C v K.G.V. 'C' on King's Park at 11 a.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. B. Gosses, Yaqub Khan).

K.G.V. 'D' v Revere D on Boundary St. at 11 a.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. Gardner, Sgt. Allen).

Bye—Victorians.

Men's Third Division
Revere D v Dutch H.C. on King's Park at 11 a.m. (Umpire: G. T. Palmer, Tara Singh).

Dorians C v Revere E on Boundary St. at 11 a.m. (Umpire: Z. A. Abbas, J. S. Grewal).

Revere E v K.G.V. 'E' on King's Park at 11 a.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. B. Gosses, Yaqub Khan).

K.G.V. 'F' v Revere F on Boundary St. at 11 a.m. (Umpire: Sgt. J. Gardner, Sgt. Allen).

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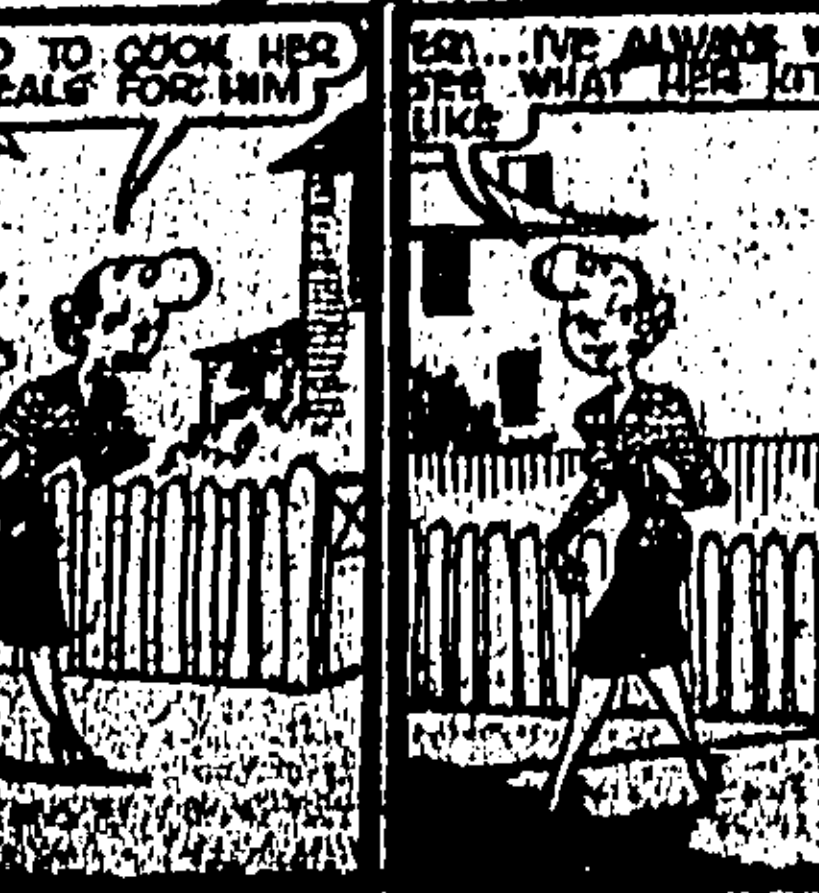
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Metal 'surgeons' cut warship repair bills

Jobs Take Hours Instead Of Days

London, Nov. 30.

Metal "surgeons" have carried out operations on the battleship Vanguard and other warships. Their work in confined areas where the naked flame for welding could not be used has saved the Admiralty thousands of pounds.

By employing keys which are "cold-worked" into slots cut across metal fractures in

machinery, the "surgeons" make it unnecessary to lift out sections of machinery.

SCAR ON METAL

In one warship, five steel plates would have had to be cut through if the new repair method had not been used.

Work that might have taken days is being completed in hours.

After the operation, a scar is left on the metal rather like a row of surgical stitches.

Teams of operators have been down to Hongkong and Singapore to carry out urgent repairs on ships.

Work is done with small pneumatic hand tools.

—(London Express Service).

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Mrs. Rose Souza, Lark, Elaine and Valerie thank the doctors and nursing staff of the Queen Mary Hospital, relatives and friends for their kind sympathy, donations, floral tributes and attendance at the funeral.

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Labour Shortage Will Hit Germany's Plans

Frankfurt, Nov. 30.

A shortage of labour is beginning to loom on the horizon of West Germany's still expanding economy now that plans for rearmament are taking more definite shape.

The proposed army of half a million men and the partial switch in industry to military production will bite deep into the existing labour force and become a severe drain on the manpower supplies, which will dwindle progressively anyway owing to a falling birth rate.

By the end of September, 1954, there were only 822,500 unemployed in a total population of 49,000,000 and compared with a total of 16,830,000 workers employed.

Only 401,000 of the unemployed were men, and of these about 80 per cent live in the three states, Schleswig-Holstein, Lower Saxony, and Bavaria, which border on Communist East Germany and where much of the industry has been stranded owing to the artificial partition of Germany and the resultant cutting off of the economic hinterland.

UNWILLING

German labour officers estimate that nearly half of the unemployed men are unwilling to take up any regular work, incapable of doing so owing to partial disability or frail health, or above the age at which work can readily be found for them. Many of them have also stated that they will not accept a job away from their home towns.

The employment of women, except for jobs for which women are better suited than men, is being discouraged by the Government's largely pro-Catholic family policy and through tax proposals which would work to the disadvantage of families where both husband and wife are working.

The new army, which is to be highly armoured and mechanised, will need a proportionately large contingent of men with considerable mechanical or trade skill. But a shortage of such labour is already beginning to be felt by the Iron

and steel industries. It is on these industries, together with coalmining, that almost all the other industries depend.

According to official statistics, there were 125,000 unemployed metal workers at the end of August 1950, but only 52,000 at the end of August 1954. The number of unemployed technicians and engineers during the same period fell from 20,575 to 7,595.

While four years ago, there were still 13,375 unemployed stone masons, there were only 2,568 last September. Not enough to allow for a further big expansion of building activity.

At the same time, there is a constant trend towards more skilled men in proportion to the introduction of more machines and more complicated production processes. To take one of these men away would often mean to lay a host of others idle.

SKILLED MEN

Yet the new army and armaments industries will need a large number of highly skilled men.

Among the metal workers of today's peace-time industry, for instance, are tens of thousands of skilled aircraft builders whom Germany had by the end of the war.

Many of these as well as tank, cannon and other workers with specialised skills dating from before and during the last war will certainly eventually find their way back into armaments production or into the new forces.

The employers' association has stated that during last summer 37,500 vacancies for skilled workers could not be filled. Even in the winter of 1953-54, when unemployment reached a peak of more than 2,000,000, there were about 30,800 jobs open for which no skilled workers could be found. About 17,200 of these were for men and the rest for women.

The association stated a dire lack of skilled labour was being reported by the merchant marine. There was also an urgent need for more university-educated engineers and chemists as well as teachers and scientists.

Dozens of new barracks and other buildings will have to be built for the new forces, but it has already often been impossible in North Rhine-Westphalia, West Germany's main industrial region, to complete building projects in time owing to the shortage of labour.

In comparison, when Hitler decided, in 1935, to form 36 divisions and to begin armaments manufacture on a larger scale than permitted under the Versailles Treaty, there were 6,000,000 unemployed in Germany. The steel-producing industry was working only at one third of its capacity, whereas in West Germany today it is working at about 90 per cent of capacity.

FEWER YOUTHS

At a time when the demand for labour will certainly be intensified, the number of youths released from school will fall owing to the declining birth rate. Official estimates are that about 920,000 youths will leave school this year, 890,000 in 1955, 780,000 in 1957 and only 680,000 in 1960. After that it is believed that the fall will be pronounced and might even stop.

Officials of several Ministries, including the Economics and Labour Ministries, have stated that the Government would not reintroduce any form of conscription or direction of labour as existed in Hitler's Germany.

Military men, on the other hand, believe that there will, in the end, have to be some sort of direction in vital and sensitive fields of production.—China Mail Special.

Tokyo, Nov. 30.

Tokyo police today detained 22 boys between the ages of 13 and 20 for stealing and selling parts of a railway track.

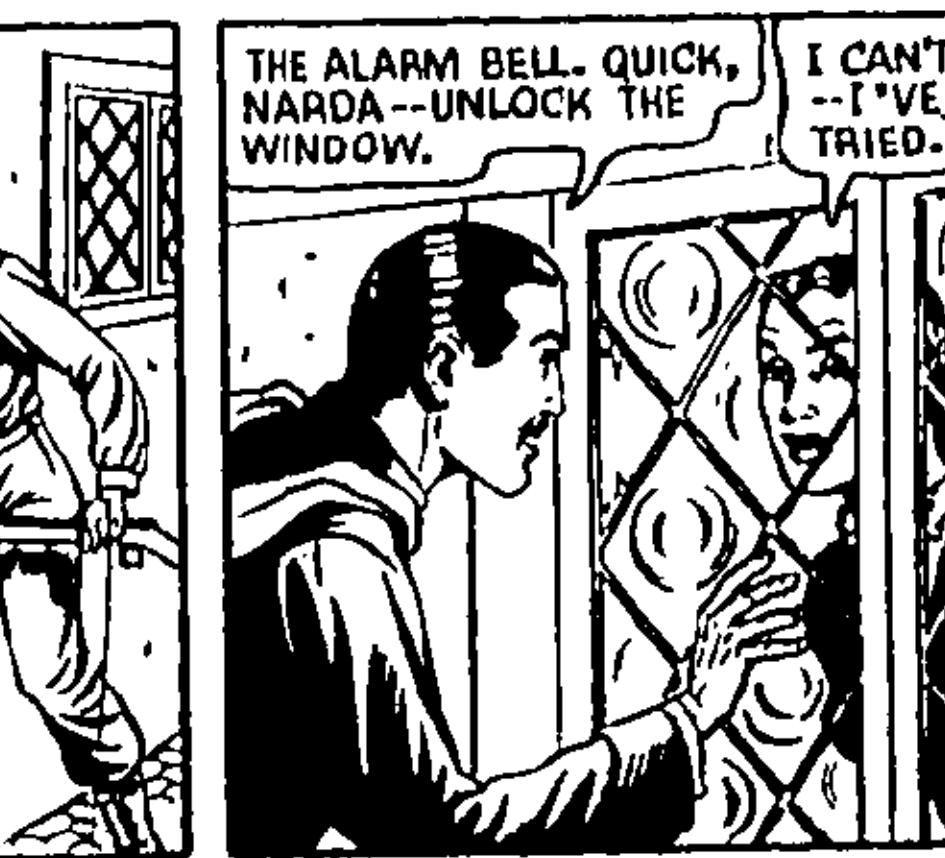
The police said the boys had done about 800,000 yen's (\$2,500) worth of damage by stealing rail chairs (clamps which hold rails to sleepers).

They said the boys sold the chairs to scrap iron merchants. The police kept eight of the boys in custody. They released the other 14, and told them to behave better in future.—China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

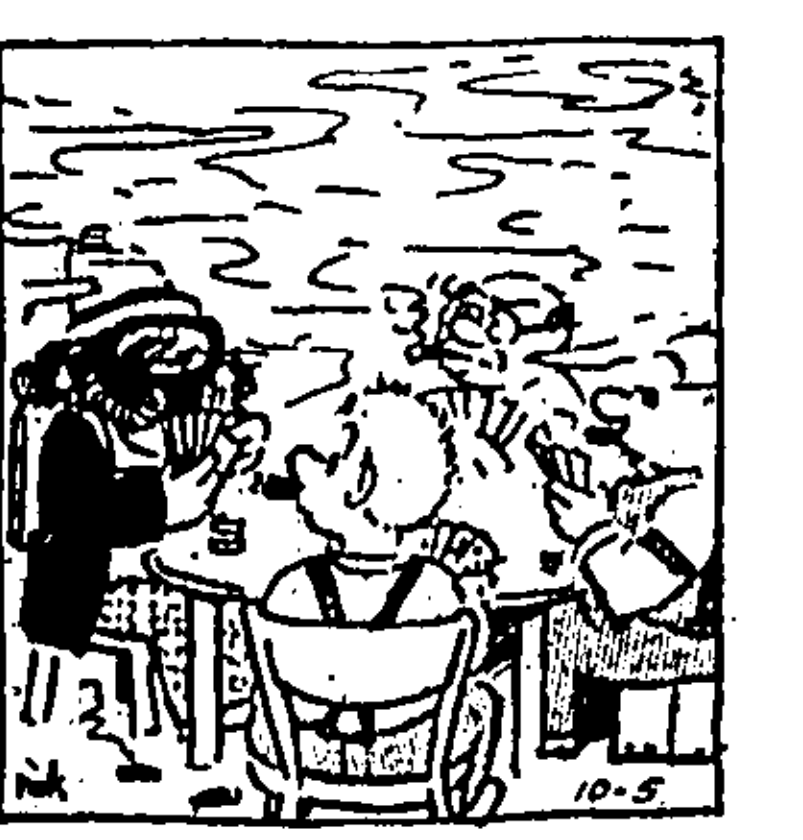
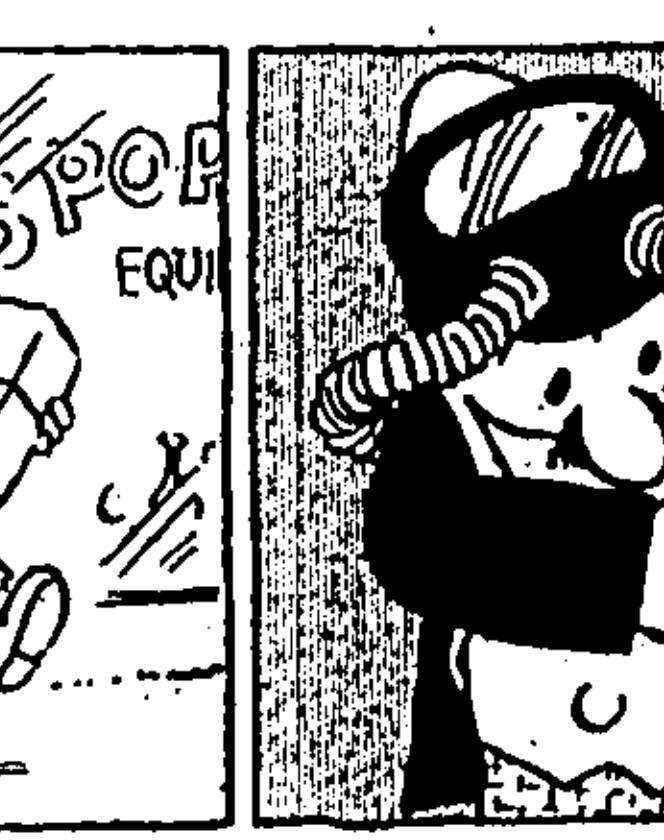


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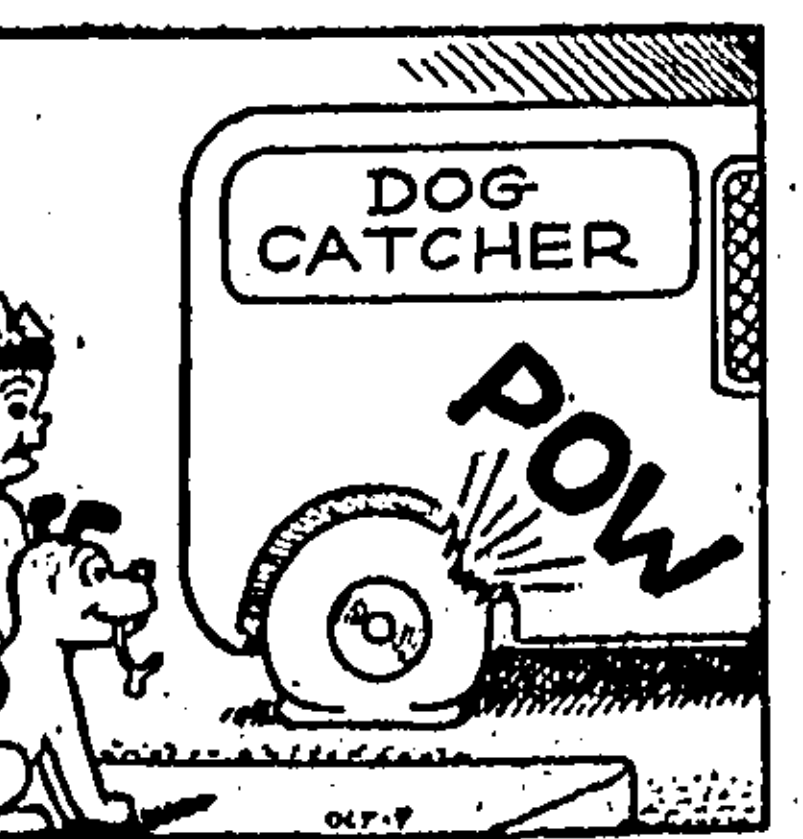


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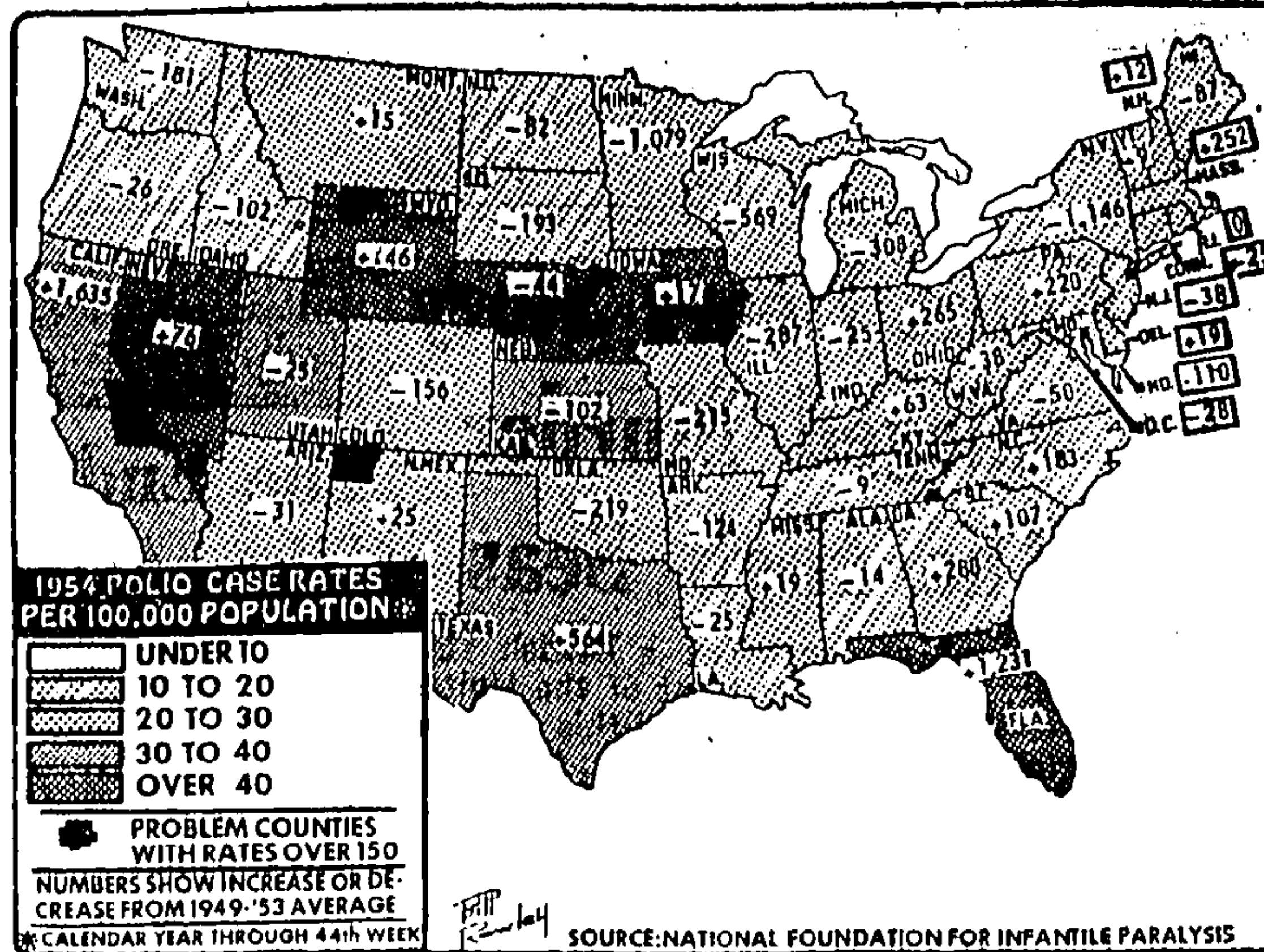
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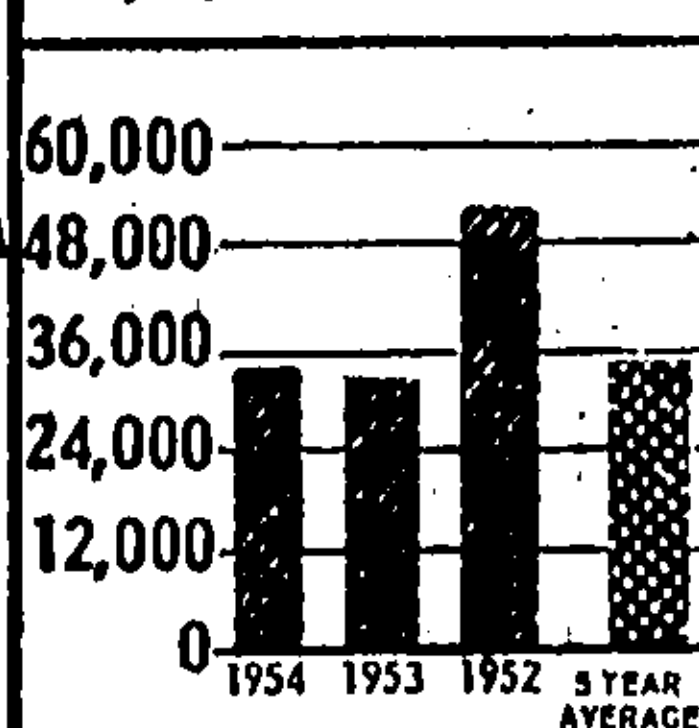
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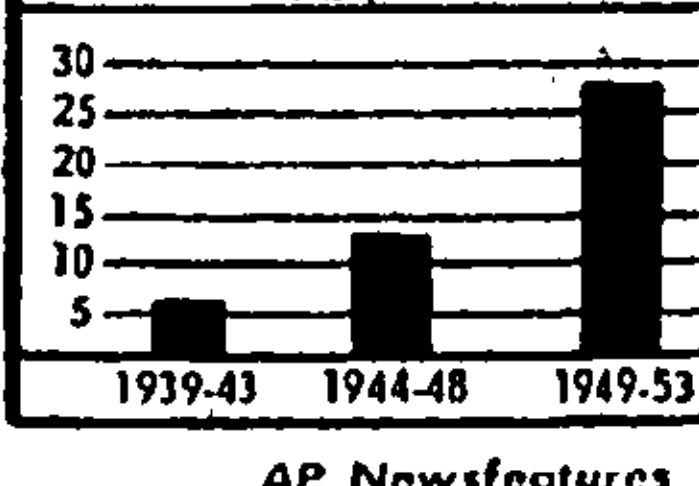
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1954 POLIO TOLL THIRD HIGHEST IN HISTORY

By DAVID L. BOWEN

Associated Press Newsfeatures Writer

Polio took its third heaviest toll in history in the United States this year as the country impatiently awaited the results of the dramatic field trial of the Salk vaccine, which may end the terrifying career of the crippling disease.

With 36,220 cases reported in the second week of November, this year's polio incidence is topped only by the brutal all-time record of 1952 when there were 57,879 cases. Second worst was 1949, with just over 42,000 cases.



Although the peak of the season was passed two months ago, reports of new cases still are coming in. Before the year is over the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis estimates the 1954 figure will climb to 40,000. As the accompanying map shows, states hardest hit this year were Florida, Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada. Nebraska, Utah and Nevada in this category even though they have had less cases than the 44th week of this year than

their average for the same period in the years 1949-53. The other four states in this group all have had more cases than their five-year average.

With more than a thousand cases above its five-year average, Florida is suffering an incidence per 100,000 population of 50.0-200 per cent greater than the 1949-53 average. Nevada has an incidence 194 per cent higher than the average for those years and Wyoming is running 140 per cent higher.

Three counties in Nebraska, two in Wyoming and one each in Florida, North Carolina, New Mexico, California and Texas had incidence rates of more than 152 cases per 100,000 population.

States with relatively few cases this year include Minnesota, where incidence is 62 per cent less than the average, South Dakota 61 per cent less, Wisconsin 40 per cent less and Idaho 47 per cent less.

While these provisional tabulations continue to mount, the test of the polio vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas E. Salk of the University of Pittsburgh shifted from the "needle phase" of last spring to the "paper phase."

At the Poliomyelitis Vaccine Evaluation Centre at the University of Michigan 144 million separate facts are being entered on 1,830,000 cards—each one bearing the name of a child who participated in the field

trials in 217 test areas across the country.

Only 440,000 of these children received the actual vaccine. The remainder either got a "dummy" shot or were included in the "control group." By keeping careful track of all these children the evaluation centre will be able to determine what the incidence of polio was for each area. With this knowledge, it will be able to determine the degree of protection afforded those who received vaccine.



This is a tremendously complex job. According to Dr. Thomas Francis Jr., University of Michigan epidemiologist who is in charge of the evaluation, it cannot possibly be completed before next spring.

No judgment on the effectiveness of the spring shots is possible before this evaluation, according to the National Foundation, because those who received them are so small and scattered a fragment of the total population. Although it is not widely realized, the country can expect a relatively small drop in polio rates next year even if the Salk vaccine is proved completely effective.

"We must prepare for approximately the same number of new cases as we had in 1953," says Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, medical director of the National Foundation.

Dr. Van Riper attributes this to three factors:

1. The amount of vaccine available will be sufficient for "only a small percentage" of the most susceptible age groups.
2. New inoculation programmes take a while to be accepted by the public.
3. There will be too little time between the federal licensing of the vaccine—assuming it will be licensed—and the beginning of the polio season.

To make certain the use of the Salk vaccine can get off to a running start if the evaluation centre report is favourable, the National Foundation has gambled nine million dollars on a contract for enough vaccine to inoculate nine million persons. This "calculated risk" will enable pharmaceutical manufacturers to retain specialized personnel and facilities while awaiting the report and thus be prepared to produce promptly substantial quantities for commercial use.

The vaccine being purchased by the National Foundation will be given free of charge—again assuming a favourable report—to a selective group. It will include all "polio pioneers" who participated in the field trials last spring but who didn't receive actual vaccine and two other classifications with high susceptibility to polio: Pregnant women and all children in the first grades of public and parochial schools.

TRADE AND COMMERCE SECTION

SOUTH AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND MOOTED

Petropolis, Brazil, Nov. 30.

A proposal that the 20 Latin American republics pool their official gold and foreign exchange reserves which last June exceeded \$3,700,000,000 to organize a development fund has gained ground at the Inter-American Economic Conference.

The United States is understood to oppose the proposal. It originally was introduced by Chile and has been endorsed so far by Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

Further support for the plan was expected as additional Latin American Finance Ministers complete presentation of their general statements before the conference.

At the same time Mr. Eugene Black, President of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, addressing the third plenary session, expressed "great satisfaction" with the announcement that the United States supports the creation of an International Finance Corporation, composed of all members of the International Bank.

"We, in the Bank, expect to be able to act without delay in the development of the project and to be ready to present specific proposals to member countries in the near future," Mr. Black said.

ENDORSED

The proposed International Finance Corporation, endorsed by President Eisenhower last week, would have a capital fund of \$100,000,000. Some Latin American spokesmen have voiced the opinion that this would be "a mere drop in the bucket."

As the conference swung into high gear with the start of committee work, another project was being discussed. The creation of a system to stabilize prices of primary Latin American raw materials.

Mentioned specially among the products to be stabilized was coffee. Coffee experts attached to the Brazilian, Colombian, Mexican and Central American delegations studied possible approaches to the idea of establishing an international coffee agreement, which both producing and consuming countries would be invited to join. It would be patterned along the existing International Wheat Agreement.—United Press.

World Cotton Markets

New York, Nov. 30.

Cotton prices today turned reactionary after a mixed start, halting a previous four-day rise amounting to \$3 a bale.

Realizing on technical reasons, plus commission house liquidation and moderate hedge selling found trade buyers more reserved. Evening up in the December delivery was another trading feature.

New speculative interest developed cautiously as outside traders transferred more attention to securities and some of the commodity markets. Traders looking for new incentives discussed the forthcoming final Government crop estimate of the season to be published on Dec. 8.

Harvesting of the remainder of the crop has made rapid progress in the far southwest, mostly by machine on irrigated lands. Cotton is three-fourths picked in Arizona and is in the final stages in northwestern Texas, where "gin yards are overrun with loaded trailers," according to the Government weekly crop summary.

Trading volumes and open interests in the Exchange today were:

Month	Volume	Open Interest
Dec.	1,000	70,700
Jan.	69,800	992,500
Mar.	35,800	1,018,000
May	37,200	471,100
Jul.	11,100	109,000
Sep.	5,900	4,200
Oct.	4,700	22,500
Nov.	10,700	12,200
Total	181,200	2,782,100 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	34.00
Dec.	34.25
Jan.	34.50
Mar.	34.75
May	34.75
Jul.	34.75
Sep.	34.75
Oct.	34.75
Nov.	34.75
Dec.	34.75
Jan.	34.75
Mar.	34.75
May	34.75

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	33.75
Dec.	34.00
Jan.	34.25
Mar.	34.50
May	34.75
Jul.	34.75
Sep.	34.75
Oct.	34.75
Nov.	34.75
Dec.	34.75
Jan.	34.75
Mar.	34.75
May	34.75

LIVERPOOL

Future closings, American middling, 15/16 inch in pence

Jan.	31.84
Mar.	31.84
May	31.84
Jul.	31.84
Sep.	31.84
Oct.	31.84
Nov.	31.84
Dec.	31.84
Jan.	31.84
Mar.	31.84
May	31.84

SAO PAULO

Future closing prices, in cruzeiros per kilo were as follows:

Dec.	31.00
Jan.	31.00
Mar.	31.00
May	31.00
Jul.	31.00
Sep.	31.00
Oct.	31.00
Nov.	31.00
Dec.	31.00
Jan.	31.00
Mar.	31.00
May	31.00

(In the United States, the average price of 15/16 inch middling at 10 designated "spot" markets was 33.08 cents. Sales at these centers totaled 91,085 bales).—United Press.

World Rubber Markets

New York, Nov. 30.

Rubber futures today closed 9 to 15 points lower with sales of 45 contracts. Intra-dealer switching operations accounted for a part of the small business done in futures.

Spot dealers reported some small buying for the account of the small and medium sized factories, but price ideas among the major buyers was thought to be running around 1/2 cent a pound below the current market. Spot No. 1 Rs. were quoted at 27 1/2 cents per pound. Future closings were:

Dec.	27.50
Jan.	27.50
Mar.	27.50
May	27.50
Jul.	27.50
Sep.	27.50

AMSTERDAM

The market was steady. Prices closed today in guilders per kilo off Dec. as follows:

No. 1 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 2 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 3 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 4 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 5 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 6 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 7 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 8 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 9 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 10 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 11 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 12 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 13 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 14 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 15 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 16 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 17 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 18 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 19 rubber	2.34 buyers
No. 20 rubber	2.34 buyers

The Singapore and London rubber prices were not received.—United Press.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Nov. 30.

World No. 4 sugar futures closed today unchanged with sales of six contracts. Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed 1 to 5 points higher with sales of 82 contracts.

World futures failed to develop a special trading feature. In the world raw market, Ceylon was the reported buyers of 93,000 tons of Cuban sugar for January shipment at about 3.20 cents a pound, F. O. B. Domestic futures firmed with the raw market. Future closings were:

Contract No. 4 (world)	3.100
Jan.	3.100
Mar.	3.100
May	3.100
Jul.	3.100
Sep.	3.100
Oct.	3.100
Nov.	3.100
Dec.	3.100
Jan.	3.100
Mar.	3.100
May	3.100

NEW YORK METAL FUTURES

New York, Nov. 30.

Prices of metal futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

Lead	27.50
Zinc	27.50
Copper	27.50
Aluminum	27.50
Nickel	27.50
Iron	27.50
Steel	27.50
Brass	27.50
Monel	27.50
Titanium	27.50
Gold	27.50
Silver	27.50
Palladium	27.50
Platinum	27.50
Mercury	27.50
Antimony	27.50
Arsenic	27.50
Bismuth	27.50
Cadmium	27.50
Chromium	27.50
Cobalt	27.50
Fluorine	27.50
Gallium	27.50
Germanium	27.50
Indium	27.50
Iridium	27.50
Iron	27.50
Lead	27.50
Lithium	27.50
Magnesium	27.50
Manganese	27.50
Molybdenum	27.50
Niobium	27.50
Nickel	27.50
Orbit	27.50
Osmium	27.50
Palladium	27.50
Phosphorus	27.50
Platinum	27.50
Plutonium	27.50
Polonium	27.50
Protactinium	27.50
Radium	27.50
Rhenium	27.50
Rhodium	27.50
Rubidium	27.50
Ruthenium	27.50
Samarium	27.50
Selenium	27.50
Strontium	27.50
Tantalum	27.50
Tellurium	27.50
Thallium	27.50
Thorium	27.50
Tin	27.50
Titanium	27.50
Tungsten	27.50
Vanadium	27.50
Xenon	27.50
Yttrium	27.50
Zinc	27.50
Zirconium	27.50

Shares Offered

New York, Nov. 30.

A group of American underwriters announced today an offering of 310,285 shares of capital stock of Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company at \$5.60 a share.

All of the shares offered are issued and outstanding and are being sold for the account of Anglo-Canadian Telephone Company which will receive all of the proceeds from the sale.

Philippine Long Distance Company services reach 110 principal cities and commercial centers throughout the Philippines.

Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades and Co. and associates head the U.S. underwriting group.—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

New quotations and the morning's transactions on the Hongkong Stock Exchange were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

Noon quotations and 1 morning's transactions on the Hongkong Stock Exchange were as follows:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SAL.	BUYERS	SELLERS	SAL.
Banking						
Bank of China	1000	1075	220	1075		
East Asia	200	10	1075			
INSURANCES						
Union	910	1075	10	1075		
Underwriters	300	1075	10	1075		
DOCKS, ETC.						
Dock	80	1075	10	1075		
Wharves	10	1075	10	1075		
Wheelock	10	1075	10	1075		
LAND, ETC.						
HK Hotel	10	1075	10	1075		
HK Land	10	1075	10	1075		
Humphreys	10	1075	10	1075		
Realty	10	1075	10	1075		
UTILITIES						
Star Ferry	10	1075	10	1075		
Yanmat Ferry	10	1075	10	1075		

Of the 1,253 issues traded, 627 closed lower, 388 finished higher and 240 held unchanged. New issues were registered by 139 stocks and three made new lows.

The New York Stock Exchange volume was 900,000 shares. Dow-Jones closing averages on Wall Street today were as follows:

30 Industrials	380.77
20 Stocks	131.47
10 Bonds	107.75
40 Stocks	141.03
40 Bonds	101.13
Comm. future price	101.94

—United Press.

Chicago Grain Prices

Chicago, Nov. 30.

Prices per bushel in cent. Closing prices:

Yaumatt Ferry	137	153	220	61	10
			70	at	16
			100	at	15
			100	at	15
C Light (O)	17.10	17.40	500	qc	17
			300	qt	17
			500	qt	17
			203	at	17

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U.K. Seamen Violent Attacks On Given McCarthy One Month's Censure Committee Gaol

Hartwell M. Scott, who claimed in yesterday's hearing that he missed his ship, the *my Ventura*, because he was misinformed about its sailing time, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. C. Cairns at the Marine Court this morning.

He was also ordered to be confined thereafter in the House of Detention until such period as arrangements for his repatriation could be made.

"I find you guilty. I cannot believe that any officer would give you two days' leave without telling you what time the ship leaves," was the Magistrate's conclusion.

Scott, 29-year-old British motorman on board the *Ventura* of Norwegian registry, was charged with having wilfully or negligently remained in the Colony after the departure of the ship. He pleaded not guilty.

TWO DAYS' LEAVE

In yesterday's hearing, Scott testified in the witness box that he was granted two days' leave on arrival here on November 18. He was informed by his superior officers that the *Ventura* would be leaving before midday on November 20. He found that the *Ventura* had left when he returned to its berth at 6.30 a.m. on November 20.

Scott maintained yesterday that he felt it was not his fault. He said he came on board the ship with what he thought was plenty of time to join it.

The Police said yesterday that the *Ventura* left on November 19 for Japan. Scott reported to the Musters on Seamen on November 22 and was referred to the Shipping Master. The Captain of the *Ventura* replied to a cable sent by the local ship's agents, Messrs C. F. Sharp and company, that Scott had deserted ship.

LEFT ON SCHEDULE

This morning, a representative of the local ship's agents told the Court that he went on board the *Ventura* on her arrival in port. After seeing all the ship's documents, he was told by the Master that the ship would leave on November 19. The Master put on the notice board the gateway that the ship would sail at about 3 p.m. that day. The ship left on schedule.

When asked by the Magistrate, the representative said that the notice was given at about one hour after the ship arrived.

Restriction On Coloured Conductors Wanted

Birmingham, Nov. 30.

The Transport Committee of this Midlands city has been asked by employees' representatives to consider restricting the number of coloured workers accepted as bus conductors. Mr. Harry Green, local Transport and General Workers Union official, said yesterday.

At some garages white bus workers found they were outnumbered by coloured workers in a few months unless there was a check on recruitment, he said.

"There is a colour bar in some of the city's industries and this means that nearly all coloured people coming to the city are applying for jobs on the buses," Mr. Green added.

"This is causing concern among the white employees who feel that the intake of coloured workers should be restricted to a percentage of white workers."

Mr. Green said that he heard no complaints about the way the coloured workers were carrying out their duties.

At present there are 300 coloured workers among the 4,700 conductors.

The employment of coloured workers started nearly nine months ago after a controversy between the Transport Committee and the Transport and General Workers Union about whether they should be employed.

—China Mail Special.

Washington, Nov. 30.

Senator J. William Fulbright told the Senate today that Senator Joseph R. McCarthy "was so preyed upon by the fears and hatred of uninformed and credulous people that he has started a prairie fire."

The Arkansas Democrat, who filed some of the original charges against McCarthy, read to the Senate samples of letters he has received from McCarthy supporters.

He said they were examples of "McCarthyism."

Mr. Fulbright said all senators are used to criticism, but the character of his mail has changed since the Senate received the censure resolution against the Wisconsin Republican.

HATE, VITUPERATION

"It is no longer criticism," said Mr. Fulbright. "It is unadulterated hate, vituperation and abuse. It is highly emotional, irrational and designed to intimidate and overawe the members of this body."

He said Sen. McCarthy has started a "prairie fire which neither he nor anyone else may be able to control."

Mr. Fulbright spoke in the Senate's final day of general debate on the long-pending resolution to censure Mr. McCarthy. By unanimous agreement, the Senate will begin voting late tomorrow with the final show-down expected on Thursday.

Earlier Senate Republican leader William F. Knowland indicated, without directly committing himself, that he has doubts whether the Senate can properly rebuke Senator McCarthy now for acts during 1951-52 since the Senate had presented him without challenge in 1953.

ALLEGED CONTEMPT

One of the censure counts against Mr. McCarthy is that he was contemptuous of a Senate elections sub-committee that investigated his finances in 1951-52.

The censure debate was enlivened during the morning by a brief, bitter row between Senator William E. Jenner, a strong McCarthy backer, and Senator Ralph E. Flanders, one of the sponsors of the censure resolution.

Mr. Jenner berated Mr. Flanders for referring to "my friends, my Soviet brothers" in a special Thanksgiving Voice of America broadcast to Russia last week.

Mr. Flanders said his broadcast was an open letter to the Russian people, urging them to support Western proposals for ending the arms race, and asserted that Mr. Jenner had "taken leave of his intelligence."

Mr. Fulbright said that Senator Arthur V. Watkins, as Chairman of the special censure committee, was "subverted to the vilest kind of abuse."

INSANE ASYLUM

Mr. Fulbright told the Senate that one letter written had suggested that he should be put "in an insane asylum" and that Senator Herbert H. Lehman, another McCarthy opponent, should be "deported or sent to Germany where people can

Unlicensed Fireworks Makers Fined

Remarking that the offence must be treated as a serious matter, Mr. G. R. Sneath fined a man and a woman \$500 or six weeks each, at Kowloon Court this morning, for manufacturing fireworks without a licence.

The Prosecution said, on Monday morning a party of police officers raided No. 42 Hang Lok New Village, Kowloon, City, where the first defendant, Chan Choi, 24, was packing up a large quantity of manufactured fireworks, in the front room. In a small room, two women were in the process of manufacturing fireworks, using newspaper labels and gunpowder.

One of the women escaped, while the other, Li Ha, 24, was arrested. Li, it was found, was specially brought to Hongkong from Canton to do the job.

Another defendant, Li Ching-shing, 60, who pleaded not guilty to the charge of aiding and abetting, was remanded until tomorrow. He was allowed \$500 bail.

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SOLDIER CHARGED WITH CRUELTY TO KIKUYU GIRL

Nairobi, Nov. 30.

An African member of a Kenya Home Guard post, Njanga, son of Ziro, told a court martial today he watched a private of the Kenya Regiment tie the ears of a Kikuyu girl to poles on the inside of a bark and wattle watch-tower.

Then the Private, Leslie Arthur Hughes, hit the girl, Wambuli, on each side of the face with his hand. The string was threaded through the holes in her ears, he said.

"She was crying, and when the accused hit her she jumped and the string split her ears," Njanga said.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY

She had been taken there to be questioned as a Mau Mau suspect but would not speak.

Hughes, 27-year-old Territorial whose wife lives at Bradford, Yorkshire, has pleaded not guilty to causing grievous bodily harm to the woman, indecently assaulting her with a beer bottle and lowering her by a rope into a pit with a threat to bury her alive.

Njanga said Hughes ordered him to fetch a beer bottle from his quarters. Wambuli was lying on the platform of the watch-tower in her underwear.

Defence counsel R.D.C. Wilcock said: "I put it to you that the incidents concerning the ears, the string and the beer bottle were carried out by you and other Africans in the absence of Hughes."

The witness denied this and said the incidents were carried out on Hughes's instructions.

Njanga, a short figure in a faded army greatcoat and dirty khaki drill trousers, was three hours in the witness box. He was ordered by Judge Advocate I. D. Turner to "stop going to sleep and stop jolling under cross-examination."

Under cross-examination he admitted he tied Wambuli's hands with rope, but denied he had tied her ears.—China Mail Special.

COURT ACTION AGAINST R.A.F. MAN

Motor Bike Incident

Derek William Wheatle, of the R.A.F. Little Salt Wan, was disqualified from holding a driving licence for a motor cycle for 12 months by Mr. Thomas Tam at Central this morning.

Defendant had pleaded guilty to permitting an unlicensed driver to drive his vehicle and permitting a person who was not covered by third party insurance to drive his vehicle. He was fined \$25 on the first summons and cautioned on the second.

WOMAN ON BACK

The cyclist was being driven by a European with a woman on the back and had no lights on. The officer then found out that the European was not in possession of a Hongkong driving licence.

Inspector Meyer said that this European had been caught with and defendant was owner of the motor bicycle in question.

Defendant said he knew that his friend had driven in the United Kingdom but he did not know whether he had a Hongkong driving licence.

New PM's Aim For South Africa

Pretoria, Nov. 30.

Mr. J. G. Strijdom in his first public appearance as Prime Minister said tonight that the ultimate object of his Nationalist Party was to make the Union a republic.

"The Nationalist Party from its inception had always pursued a policy of justice and fairness toward all sections of the population," he said.

He gave an assurance that this policy would continue to be applied, and would continue when South Africa became a republic.—Reuter.

HK Court Hears Story Of Alleged Murder On The High Seas

An alleged murder on board a British ship on the high seas off the west coast of the United States was related by Crown Counsel this morning when the trial of Ali Mohamed Yehia, 59, ship's fireman of Aden, began before Mr. Justice J. Reynolds and a Jury at the Criminal Sessions.

Yehia was accused of murdering Mohammed Nasser, also a ship's fireman, on board the British steamer, Ernest G. Pathy on the high seas.

He pleaded not guilty and was defended by Mr. T. A. Shurlock, instructed by Messrs Deacons.

A Jury of four women and three men was empanelled.

The Prosecution was conducted by Mr. J.W.D. Hobley, Crown Counsel, assisted by Deputy F. Indge-Buckingham, of Marine Police.

IN EARLY MORNING

Mr. Hobley said the matters from which the charge arose took place on board the ship Ernest G. Pathy, which left San Pedro in California on August 29. The crew, which the Jury were concerned took place 32 hours later on the early morning of August 31.

About 3 a.m. that day, accused, who had been on duty, called two of his fellow crew members, the deceased and another man named Ali Hassan, to relieve him in the engine-room. These men first went up to the mess and left at 3.30 a.m. for the engine-room. Deceased went down by the door on the port side while Ali Hassan used the starboard door.

Some five minutes later, Ali Hassan saw accused beckoning to him from the starboard door leading from the engine-room to the boiler room or stokehold. Ali Hassan asked what accused wanted, and accused replied, "Come and see the old man."

The deceased was known on board the ship as "the old man." On entering the stokehold, Ali Hassan saw the deceased lying on his back by the port boiler. From where he stood, Ali Hassan noticed that deceased's throat had been cut from side to side, and there were also other injuries on the front of his shoulders.

LEFT STROKEHOLD

After a short conversation with accused, Ali Hassan told him to go to his own room, and accused left the stokehold.

In the meantime, Mr. Allan Jenkins, fourth engineer, who had heard accused asking Ali Hassan to come and see "the old man," thought something was wrong in the stokehold and went to investigate. On seeing the deceased on the floor, he summoned the captain and other officers.

Shortly afterwards, the majority of the officers and ship's firemen were assembled in the saloon, and accused was then brought in. The Captain asked accused when deceased had relieved him. Accused replied it was at 3.45 a.m.

The Captain enquired if the deceased was all right at the time, and accused replied "We had trouble." Asked what was the trouble, accused said, "The old man cut me with a knife, so I killed him."

The Captain asked accused three times if he had killed Nasser, and accused said "yes" in reply. After this the accused was sent to the ship's hospital and locked up.

He was ultimately brought to Hongkong and was taken into custody on October 7.

SOME TROUBLE

Mr. Hobley said it was the Crown case that there was obviously some trouble between the two men. He submitted there must have been some sort of scuffle although nobody saw it. It was a fact the deceased suffered terrible injuries, and Crown Counsel pointed out that accused had freely and voluntarily confessed to the ship's Captain that it was in fact he who had killed the deceased.

Giving evidence, Ali Mohamed Ahmed said he was a donkeyman greaser on the Ernest G. Pathy. He was employed in the engine-room, and accused and deceased worked in the stokehold.

When accused beckoned to him to enter the stokehold on August 31, said witness, he noticed that accused was bleeding from a small scratch on the chin. He asked accused, after he saw deceased lying on his back with his throat cut, why accused had done it, and said accused replied "He's been annoying me." Accused went on to say "He drew a knife, so I killed him."

Witness said the wound in deceased's throat was about four inches long. Deceased was buried at sea the same day.

**MONTY TELLS
IKE: GIVE
UP CHIANG**

New York, Nov. 30.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery has urged President Eisenhower "to make one more effort to split Red China from Russia," New York magazine this morning in its column "The Far East."

It said that during Field Marshal Montgomery's visit with Mr. Eisenhower, during the Thanksgiving holidays, the Field Marshal tried to persuade the President to "abandon Chiang Kai-shek."

He was seen offering his plans to a woman for \$5. He has a previous conviction for a similar offence.

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

The End Of The Affair

JIM's romance had for its setting the grey back streets around King's Cross. Though he had known them all his life, these suddenly became for him as marvellous and full of mystery as ancient, fabled cities lit by golden sunlight. For he no longer walked alone.

It was a quiet affair, that between Jim and Edna. No one knew about their love or about their plans, except the few who happened to read the looks in their eyes, when they were together. Those might have caught a hint of it.

COUP DE GRACE

QO they walked around King's Cross—a lean man in spectacles, and a plump little woman, who were both approaching middle-age. And every other sentence that they spoke together, started: "When we are married..."

Then one day Jim, though he tried to persuade himself otherwise, thought he detected in Edna a little less warmth than usual, when they discussed their plans for the future. A day or two later she delivered the coup de grace. "I'm not marrying you, Jim," she said.

Jim was completely stunned. He argued and pleaded and fell into all the traps men lay for themselves when women rout them.

THE BLOW

"FURTHERMORE, I'll thank you," said Edna, "to keep out of my sight from now on."

"But, Edna, Edna, only yesterday..."

He found himself addressing the hustling crowds on the Euston Road. Edna had turned and gone. Where she lived, at a hotel, he lay in wait there for her day after day, and ran at her hurry, heels as she came and went, ignoring him.

One day in his exasperation and despair, Jim raised his hand and cuffed Edna. She went round to the magistrate's court then. A warrant was issued for Jim's arrest on a charge of assault.

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HE was brought to the dock in due course. Edna went into the witness-box and took the oath.

"Tell me about it," said the magistrate, Frank Poyell.

"We used to be friends, we were going to get married," Edna said. "We parted four weeks ago. After that he kept following me. He wanted me to go back to him."

"The other day, he was in to me again, begging me to go back. I walked down the street with him. When I was going into the doorway of the place I live, he hit me."

The courtroom was not particularly warm, but Jim's pale forehead was moist as he listened from the dock.

ALONE AGAIN

"HAVE you anything to say?" the magistrate asked him.

"Nothing," he said.

"Can you give me any reason why you shouldn't go to prison?"

"None," said Jim.

"Are you prepared to keep away from this woman, if I bind you over?"

"If she wants me to," Jim said, as if he still could not believe that that could be.

"He's been saying that for a month," Edna snapped.

Jim winced. He was discharged conditionally, the condition being that he should keep away from Edna for the next six months. She bustled off to go back to her work, and he left a little later and disappeared into the grey streets about King's Cross, alone.

Queue Place Offered For 3 Dollars: Man Fined \$150

Mr. G. R. Sneath, fined \$150 or six weeks at Kowloon Court this morning for committing a public nuisance.

Defendant was among the queue waiting to receive medical treatment at the Out-Patients Department at Kowloon Hospital, on Tuesday morning.

He was seen offering his place to a woman for \$5. He has a previous conviction for a similar offence.